# Lesson 19

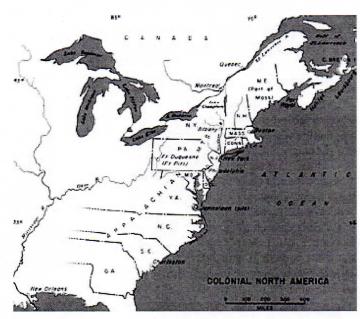
U.S. History – Rivers of the Eastern U.S.

Read: Genesis 2

Words: Atlantic Ocean – the ocean to the east of the United States Florida – One of the fifty states in the United States

# Where are the rivers in the eastern United States?

The rivers in the eastern United States flow to the Atlantic Ocean. Many of them start in the mountains.



The Eastern United States

Genesis 2:10 – And **a river** went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.

What are the rivers of the eastern United States?





The rivers in the eastern United States flow to the Atlantic Ocean. The longest river in Florida is the **St. John's River**. The river that flows by the nation's capital, Washington, D.C., is the **Potomac River**. The river that comes out to the ocean at New York City is the **Hudson River**.

**Something to do:** Look on a map of the United States. Find the rivers in the eastern United States.

What does Jesus have to do with rivers?
Jesus offers a river of life to those who believe on Him!



Native Americans on the Hudson River

John 7:38 – He that believeth on me [Jesus], as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

# **Questions for Primary Lesson 19**

- 1. What is the name of the longest river in Florida?
- 2. What is the name of the river that goes by Washington, D.C.?
- 3. What is the name of the river that comes out to the ocean at New York City?

Are you glad that Jesus created rivers for us to enjoy?

# Junior Lesson 19 – Rivers of the Eastern U.S.

Early settlements in the United States were often built on the rivers that came out to the Atlantic Ocean. The Savannah River, forming the border between Georgia and South Carolina became the site of the founding of Savannah, Georgia.

Two large rivers in South Carolina are the **Santee River** and the **Great Pee Dee River**. North Carolina has the **Cape Fear River** which runs past Wilmington and Fayettville and the **Roanoke River** which runs from North Carolina to Virginia.

The historic **James River** in Virginia was the site of one of the first settlements in North America. Four cities in Virginia, including Norfolk, are located along this river.

Two great rivers of New England are the **Hudson River**, which comes out to the Atlantic Ocean at New York City, and the **Connecticut River**, which comes out at Connecticut and goes all the way north to Canada.

The rivers of the eastern seaboard of the United States generally start in the Appalachian Mountains. Rainfall from these mountains

forms the headwaters of most of these rivers. Of course, many tributaries from the low-lying areas also contribute more water to these rivers. By the time they reach the coast, they are very wide.

#### Fishing on the James River



# **Questions for Junior Lesson 19**

- 1. What river forms the boundary between the state of George and South Carolina?
- 2. What are two rivers in South Carolina?
- 3. What are two rivers in North Carolina?
- 4. What is the historic river in Virginia where early settlers lived?
- 5. What are the two great rivers of New England?

#### Intermediate and Advanced Lesson 19 – U.S. HISTORY Rivers of the Eastern U.S.

Missionaries, beginning with the Apostle Paul, have used water transportation throughout church history to bring the gospel to the lost.

II Corinthians 11:23-26 - ... Are they ministers of Christ?... I am more... In journeyings often, in perils of waters...

**Spiritual Insight**: We should use every means available, including the rivers, to reach the lost for Christ!

#### **Intermediate Research Questions**

- 1. How have missionaries to the native Americans used rivers to reach them?
- 2. Which rivers have they used?

#### **Advanced Research Questions**

- 1. Which cities are port cities along the east coast of North America?
- 2. Which rivers come out to the ocean at the above ports?

### The Hudson River at New York City

