

Large Group

A New Frontier

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

Join us on the greatest journey of all! When we choose to follow Jesus, we're starting an incredible adventure. In this series, we'll be taking a look at some landmarks that can guide us on our way.

Key Verse:

Hebrews 12:2- "Let us keep looking to Jesus. He is the one who started this journey of faith. And He is the one who completes the journey of faith.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Title: Big Idea:	
Lesson 1: January 2/3	Expedition Leader Follow Jesus: Mark 4:35-41	I can hold on to Jesus no matter what happens.
Lesson 2: January 9/10	Frontier Map Bible: 2 Kings 22	I can let the Bible guide my life.
Lesson 3: January 16/17	Wagon Train Community: 1 Cor. 12	The church is on this journey together.
Lesson 4: January 23/24	Open Prairie Prayer: Luke 18:35-43	I can bring everything to God.
Lesson 5: January 30/31	Circle the Wagons Serve Others: Philippians 2	I can think about what's best for others.
Lesson 6: February 6/7 *	River Crossing Decision Week: Paul's Conversion- Acts 9	I can choose to follow God's way.
Lesson 7: February 13/14	Camp Generosity Giving: Mark 12:41-44	God has given me something to share.
Lesson 8: February 20/21	Celebration Valley Worship: Psalm 111	I can celebrate what God has done.

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Lesson 1: Expedition Leader

"You must never forget who our leader is. We don't always understand what He says or does, but He's always the leader, because He's walked every step of this journey before."

Lesson 2: Frontier Map

"The map shows us the big stuff, the important landmarks on our journey. It leads us through the unknown, with the wisdom of people who have crossed this land before."

Lesson 3: Wagon Train

"Keep your eyes on the trail and watch for those white wagon covers. The best way to travel is to join a wagon train. We share what we can, so everyone has enough, we listen to each other's stories, there really is nothing like traveling together."

Lesson 4: Open Prairie

"Look up at the stars. Each one of those is a new frontier, bigger and farther than we can ever imagine. It's easy to feel small among the stars, but remember, the one who made every one of those stars made you and hears you every time you talk to Him."

Lesson 5: Circle the Wagons

"When someone gets hurt, we all stop, we all help. It's what we want them to do, so it's what we need to do, too. The key to success on this journey isn't thinking about only ourselves, but about what's best for others."

Lesson 6: River Crossing

"At the river you face a choice. Cross it, and your life will be changed forever. This is the start of a new adventure filled with risks and challenges, but they're challenges our leader has already overcome. Let's go!"

Lesson 7: Camp Generosity

"The doctor heals diseases, the mechanic fixes wagons, the musician gives us hope through music. No one is any more or less important than another, from the oldest to the youngest, the biggest to the smallest. Every one of us has something valuable to give."

Lesson 8: Celebration Valley

"God has led every step of this journey, and we need him just as much for every step going forward. His love for us is something worth celebrating!"

A New Frontier Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 5: Circle the Wagons

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Opening Song and Welcome (1:00)	
Team Time (14:00)	
Media Part 1 (Big Problem) (5:00)	0:00 - 20:00
Group Time 1 (7:00)	
Media 2 (Bible Story) (5:00)	
Group Time 2 (7:00)	20:00 - 40:00
Media 3 (Application) (5:00)	
Worship (8:00)	
Media Part 4 (Game) (6:00)	
Wrap-Up (1:00)	40:00 - 60:00



Opening Song and Welcome

1:00



(Roll when directed) Elevate Opener

Do This: During the song, encourage kids to find a place to sit, and let them know it's time to get started.

Welcome everyone, let's get started! I'm so glad you're all here! Come on up and find a place to sit.



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My name is _____, and I'm so excited to be here with all of you!

Elevate is an awesome place where we get to have fun and learn about God. It's also a place where we show respect. We <u>respect the leaders</u> in here by listening and following their instructions. We <u>respect others</u> by being kind and keeping our hands to ourselves. And we <u>respect the room</u> by being safe, and not damaging anything. Showing respect like that helps us all have an awesome time.

Team Time 14:00



Series Title Slide: A New Frontier and clear audio

We're in a series today called "A New Frontier." Our lives can feel like an adventure. We face tough challenges, have to work with other people, and usually have to work to get where we want to be. In this series, we'll be finding out how God can lead us every day of our lives.

If you're ever traveling with a group of people, and someone got hurt, what would you do? You'd have to stop and help them. It's what we want them to do for us, so it's what

we need to do for them, too. The same thing is true in life. We need to think about what's best for others. But what does that look like? That's what we're talking about today.

We'll learn more about that in a bit, but let's get started with a game called "Freeze Tag."



This game is like "freeze tag, except there is only one person who can tag others. That person has a blue pool noodle. If you get tagged by the blue pool noodle, you have to freeze. There will be someone else, though, who has a red pool noodle. If you get tagged by the red pool noodle, you can move again.

Do This: Give a red pool noodle to one kid, and a blue pool noodle to another.

Ready, set, go!

Do This: Allow them to play for 4-5 minutes.

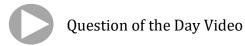


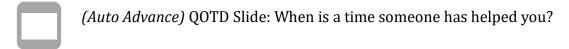
Fun Game Music!

Ok, so fun! You can all un-freeze and come back to the middle.

Game Title Slide: "Freeze Tag" and clear audio

You can all sit down and get ready to answer our question of the day!

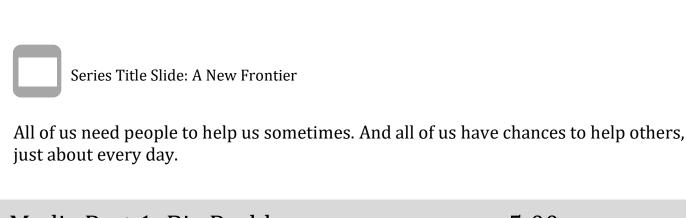




Our question of the day is: When is a time someone has helped you? Turn to someone near you and tell them about it! Make sure to listen to a time someone else has helped them, too.

Do This: Allow kids to talk for about 30 seconds.

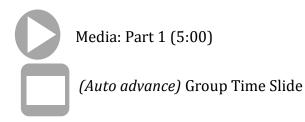
Know This: You could share briefly about a time you needed help.



Media Part 1: Big Problem

5:00

Next up, we're going to check in with Josh and Beka. Let's find out what they're up to today.



What a great question from Josh and Beka. Next, we get to meet up with our groups to talk about the questions Josh and Beka were asking. Look for your group's flag and meet up with them there!

Group Time 1

7:00



7:00 Group Time Countdown



Do This: Make sure each kid finds their group. Help group leaders if there is a need. Encourage kids as they work to discuss the question.

Know This: During this time, groups are expected to look in the Bible to see if they can solve the big question presented in the media. They'll spend time reading the Bible and discussing the problem. Help group leaders engage kids and facilitate discussion as much as possible.

Media Part 2- Bible Story

5:00

You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. I hope you had a great time talking with your group! Next up, Josh and Beka have a Bible story for us that might help us think of an answer to the big questions we've been talking about.



Media: Part 2 (Bible Story) (4:00)



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What a great story! Next, your group leaders have an activity for you, so meet them in your group's spot.

Group Time 2

8:00



8:00 Group Time Countdown



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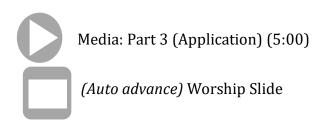
Do This: Make sure each kid finds their group. Help group leaders if there is a need. Encourage kids as they work to discuss the question.

Know This: During this time, groups are expected to complete an activity or object lesson around the lesson we're learning. Make sure group leaders have all the supplies that they need, and that they understand what they're doing in this section ahead of time.

Media Part 3: Application

5:00

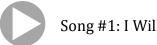
I wonder what Josh and Beka have learned from all they've been doing today? Let's find out!



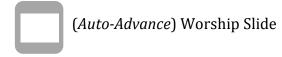
It's important for us to think about what's best for others, because that's what Jesus did. He chose to put others first and showed us that when we choose to put others first, and decide to do what's best for them, we're living the way God made us to.

Worship 8:00

Next up, let's stand and get ready to sing and worship our amazing God all together.



Song #1: I Will Follow You



Let's keep on singing and moving with another song.



Song #2: All I Need



Singing with all of you is awesome. You can sit, but let's take a moment to talk to God.

God, we love you. Thank you for thinking of us and helping us. Show us ways we can help others, too. Amen.

Media Part 4: Game

You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. Next up, let's see how Josh and Beka's adventure wraps up.

Media: Part 4 (Game) (4:00)

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Wrap-Up

1:00

I'm so glad you were here today, and I hope you all come back next week as we continue our adventure in A New Frontier.

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