





Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Set of images, paper, markers.

3. Time to Talk

Look Up and Read: Ephesians 4:29. This verse is about how much our words matter. **Discussion Questions**:

- Has anyone ever said something mean to you? What about something kind? What happened?
- What do those verses say we should do with our words? (Praise God and say helpful things that build others up.)
- What do those verses say about the power of our words? (Small things—like our words—make a big impact.)
- How did we see the power of our words in The Elevate Show?

Ask: What is going great right now? Is there something that's not going great right now?

Pray: Talk to God, mentioning things the kids talked about if appropriate.

4. Activity

Do This: Give each kid a piece of paper and a marker. Then, choose one of the images and give kids instructions on how to draw it. The catch is, you may tell them shapes and directions to draw, but may not describe what's in the image at all. Try to use shapes. (For example, you can say "Draw a circle with four lines underneath it," but you can't say "draw four legs."

Know this: Kids will draw the images different ways. Encourage them to guess what the pictures are while they are drawing! You can repeat this activity with the other images if there is time.

Discuss: Were you surprised when you saw the actual picture? Did it match what you imagined? Did different people draw different things, even though they got the same instructions?

Discuss: What are words we can use that help others or "build them up"?

The Point: The words we choose make a big difference! We can choose words that help others and are kind.