

Large Group

Choose Your Character

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

Have you ever created a character in a video game? You might pick what they look like, sound like, and what they can do. In life, our "character" is our personality, the way we live. In this series, we'll find out what kind of "character" we were made to have by learning about the character of the one who made us: God!

Key Verse:

Colossians 3:10- You have started living a new life. Your knowledge of how that life should have the Creator's likeness is being made new.

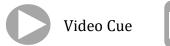
Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Title:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: September 10/11	What is "Character?" Moses: Exodus 3 – Deut.	I am made to reflect who God is.
Lesson 2: September 17/18	God is Wise Joseph: Genesis 37-50	God shows me how to live wisely.
Lesson 3: September 24/25	God is Creator Genesis 1-2	God made me on purpose.
Lesson 4: October 1/2	God is Faithful Abraham: Genesis 12-21	God will always keep His promises.
Lesson 5: October 8/9	God is Present 1 Kings 20 - Hills and Valleys	God will always be with me.
Lesson 6: * October 15/16	God is Love Jesus' Story- John 18-21	I can follow God because He loves me.
Lesson 7: October 22/23	God is Forgiving Jonah	I can forgive because God forgives.
Lesson 8: October 29/30	God is Good Esther	God is good, even when life is tough.

Choose Your Character Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 2: God is Wise

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Opening Song and Welcome (1:00)	
Team Time (14:00)	
Media Part 1 (4:00)	0:00 - 19:00
Group Time 1 (Activity) (8:00)	
Media Part 2 (4:00)	
Group Time 2 (Discussion) (7:00)	19:00 – 38:00
Media Part 3 (4:00)	
Worship (8:00)	
Media Part 4 (4:00)	
Wrap-Up (1:00)	38:00 - 55:00









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.



(Auto advance) Elevate Slide and Underscore

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: "Choose Your Character" and clear audio

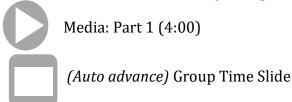
We are in a series called "Choose Your Character." Have you ever created a character in a video game? You might pick what they look like, sound like, and what they can do. In life, our "character" is our personality, the way we live. In this series, we'll find out what kind of "character" we were made to have by learning about the character of the one who made us: God!

Let's kick off this series with a game called "Nailed It Or Failed It: First Pitch Edition."
Game Title Slide: "Nailed It Or Failed It: First Pitch Edition"
In this game, we're going to see someone about to throw the ceremonial first pitch of a baseball game. You'll have to guess if they nail the pitch or fail it. If you think they nail it, stand up! If you think they fail it, sit down. Let's give it a try! Nailed It or Failed It Video 1
Stand if you think they nailed it, sit if you think they failed. Let's find out if you're right! Nailed It or Failed It Answer 1
Let's take a look at another one! Nailed It or Failed It Video 2
Stand if you think they nailed it, sit if you think they failed. Let's find out if you're right! Nailed It or Failed It Answer 2
Let's take a look at another one! Nailed It or Failed It Video 3
Make your guesses! Let's find out if you're right. Nailed It or Failed It Answer 3
These can be tricky! Let's see how this next person does. Nailed It or Failed It Video 4
Show me your answers, everyone. Let's find out if you're right! Nailed It or Failed It Answer 4
We've only got a couple left, let's take a look at the next one.

Nailed It or Failed It Video 5
Stand if you think they nailed it, sit if you think they failed. Let's find out if you're right! Nailed It or Failed It Answer 5
Let's take a look at our last video. Nailed It or Failed It Video 6
Stand if you think they nailed it, sit if you think they failed. Let's find out if you're right! Nailed It or Failed It Answer 6
Good job everyone! You can find a spot to sit and also get ready to answer our question of the day.
Question of the Day Video
(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: What's a random fact you know?
Our question today is: What's a random fact you know? It could be something you've learned, or just a very random fact. If you have a random fact, turn to someone near you and tell them about it. Make sure to listen to their answer, too. Do This: Allow kids to talk for about 30 seconds. Know This: You can share your answer briefly, too! Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character
Those were some interesting facts!

Media Part 1 4:00

Learning facts can make us smart, but today we get to talk about something a little different: how to be wise. Our friends in Comics Cafe are learning about wisdom today too. Let's find out what they're up to.



Have you ever wanted to get back at someone? Or wanted to do something that might not be right, but there's no rule saying you can't? I am interested to see what Blake is going to do.

Next up, we're headed to our groups for an activity that can teach us more about wisdom. Look for your group's flag, and I'll see you in a few minutes!

Group Time 1: Activity

8:00



8:00 Group Time Countdown



Do This: Make sure each kid finds their group. Help group leaders if there is a need. Encourage kids as they do an activity related to the day's topic.

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 2

4:00

You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. Next up, let's check back in with Comics Cafe to find out what Blake is up to.



Media: Part 2 (4:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character

Do you think he made a wise decision? We'll find out if they can solve that problem in a few minutes, but first you get to chat with your groups about what wisdom looks like for us.

Find your group's flag again, and I'll see you back here in a few minutes.

Group Time 2 (Discussion)

7:00



7:00 Group Time Countdown



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character

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.

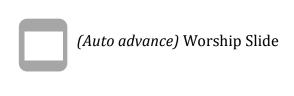
Know This: During this time, groups are expected to look in the Bible to see if they can solve the big question presented in the media. They'll spend time reading the Bible and discussing the problem. Help group leaders engage kids and facilitate discussion as much as possible.

Media Part 3 4:00

Living wisely means making wise choices and doing what's right, even if there's no rule telling us what to do. To find out why wisdom matters, we're going to hear a story from the Bible.



Media: Part 3 (4:00)



God is wise, and He made us to be wise, too. So when God tells us what to do, we can trust that He's showing us the best possible way to live.

Worship 8:00

The more we learn about God, the more we'll grow in wisdom. One great way to learn about God is by worshipping Him and singing about Him. Let's do that now! Get up on your feet, and get ready to move!



Song #1: I Will Follow You (EBC)



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

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



Song #2: Even When



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character

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

God, we love you. Thank you for showing us what it means to be wise. Help us to follow you and learn more about wisdom from you every day. Amen.

Media Part 4

4:00

You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. Next up, let's see how the story we've been hearing wraps up.

Media: Part 4 (4:00)

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Wrap-Up

1:00

That is so important to remember. God helps us live wisely and living wisely changes our lives for the better.

I've had a lot of fun learning with you today! I'm so glad you were here, and I hope to see you all next week to continue this series.

Elevate Slide

Start Free Time music videos