

Large Group

Gifts that Keep on Giving

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

Everyone loves getting a good gift, yet we've all heard that it is better to give than it is to receive. What if the *best* gifts were gifts we received so that we could share them with others? In this series, we'll learn about some of the gifts God gives us, whether they're things we can enjoy every day or in special circumstances.

Key Verse:

1 Corinthians 12:4 - There are different kinds of gifts. But they are all given to believers by the same Spirit.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Title:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: November 6/7	Leadership Ephesians 4:11-13	God gives us people who help us learn and grow.
Lesson 2: November 13/14	Mercy Matthew 18:21-35	We can be kind to others, even when they're not expecting it.
Lesson 3: November 20/21	Wisdom Matthew 7:24-27	God gives us guidance to help us make wise decisions.
Lesson 4: November 27/28	Languages Acts 2	God wants us to connect with Him.
Lesson 5: December 4/5	Encouragement John 12:1-8	We can encourage others with our words and actions.
Lesson 6: December 11/12	Prophecy Isaiah 9:1-7	We can share God's truth with others.
Lesson 7: December 18/19	Evangelism Luke 2:8-20	God gives us something worth telling the world about.
Lesson 8: * Christmas Week	Christmas Party Matthew 1:18-25	God gave us the gift of His son, Jesus.

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Lesson 1: November 6/7 - Leadership

Aren't you glad we don't go through life all alone? This week, we'll learn about the people God has given us who help us learn and grow.

Lesson 2: November 13/14 - Mercy

Most of us like receiving generous gifts, but how do we feel about giving to others? This week, we'll talk about what it means to show kindness to others even when we don't have to.

Lesson 3: November 20/21 - Wisdom

Sometimes life can be confusing. Thankfully, God is with us! This week, we'll talk about how God gives us guidance when we're not sure what we should do.

Lesson 4: November 27/28 - Languages

Have you ever felt left out when someone gets a gift that you didn't? This week, we'll talk about how God wants to give the gift of His Spirit and connect with <u>all</u> of us, no matter where we come from or what language we speak.

Lesson 5: December 4/5 - Encouragement

While big gifts usually get our attention, it's the personal gifts that often mean the most. This week, we'll see that while God can do spectacular miracles, He can also do awe-inspiring things through us in everyday moments when we show kindness and help one another.

Lesson 6: December 11/12 - Prophecy

It's exciting to get a delivery, isn't it? There's something special about someone bringing us something that's addressed to us. This week, we'll talk about what it means to look forward to what God is sending our way, and how we can serve as messengers to deliver what God wants to offer to other people.

Lesson 7: December 18/19 - Evangelism

It can feel hard to know how to talk about Jesus with others sometimes. This week, we'll talk about what leads us to tell other people about what God has done in our lives and our world.

Lesson 8: Christmas Week

The greatest gift that God has ever given us is His son, Jesus. God sent Jesus into the world to rescue us and make a way for us to have a relationship with Him. This week, we'll hear the story of Christmas and discover why Jesus came.

Gifts that Keep on Giving Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 1: Leadership

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Opening Song and Welcome (1:00)	
Team Time (14:00)	
Media Part 1 (5:00)	0:00 - 20:00
Group Time 1 (7:00)	
Media Part 2 (5:00)	
Group Time 2 (8:00)	20:00 - 40:00
Media Part 3 (5:00)	
Worship (8:00)	
Media Part 4 (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.



(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: Gifts that Keep on Giving and clear audio

Today we are starting a series called "Gifts that Keep on Giving." Gifts are awesome, right? When someone gives us a gift, especially a really great gift, that is super exciting! In this series, we're going to be talking about some gifts that God Himself gives us. The thing to remember is, God doesn't just give us these gifts for ourselves, He wants us to share them with others, too!

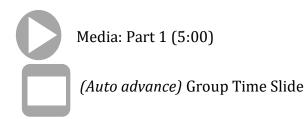
Let's get started with a game called Gift Stackers!

Game Title Slide: "Gift Stackers"
Do This : Select four kids to come up on stage. Split the kids in to two teams of two. Make sure 20 gifts are set out on stage.
I need some help carrying all of these gifts! One of you on your team is going to be the gift holder, and one of you is going to be the gift stacker. Your goal is to stack all ten of your team's gifts on top of each other, while the other person holds them and keeps them balanced. If you set down the gifts, or they fall, you have to start over.
The team with the most gifts stacked at the end of one minute are the winners! Ready? Let's go!
1:00 Countdown and Fun Game Music!
(Auto-Advance) Game Title Slide: "Gift Stackers"
Great job, you all! It looks like we have our winners! You can all find your spots and sit down again.
Let's get ready to answer our question of the day.
Question of the Day Video
(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: What is an awesome gift you've been given?
Our question today is: What is an awesome gift you've been given? It could have been for a holiday, or just something someone did for you or gave to you that was special. 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: Gifts that Keep on Giving
It feels awesome to get a gift, and to give a gift, too.

Media Part 1: Big Problem

5:00

Next, we are going to learn a bit more about a super special gift God gives us called "leadership," by checking in with The Elevate Show! Let's see what they're doing today.



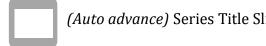
What a great gift to think about. Have you ever wanted to lead others, and wished you were in charge? Or, have you ever had to be a leader when you didn't really want to? Next, we get to meet up with our groups to talk more about leadership. Look for your group's flag and meet up with them there.

Group Time 1

7:00



7:00 Group Time Countdown



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Gifts that Keep on Giving

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, we're going to hear a Bible story about the gift of leadership.



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



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Gifts that Keep on Giving

What a great story! Leading others can be a challenge, but God gives us chances to lead on purpose. 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



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Gifts that Keep on Giving

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

Leadership reminds us that no matter where we are, or what we are doing, other people are paying attention to us. Sometimes it's our little brother or sister, sometimes it's a classmate, sometimes it's even someone older people, but the things we say and do make a difference for others. Let's learn a bit more about leadership with the Elevate Show!

Media: Part 3 (Application) (5:00) (Auto advance) Worship Slide I love that God gives us chances to lead, and that He helps us lead others, too.
Worship 8:00
Next up, we get to sing some songs about our amazing God! We call singing about God "worship." Worship reminds us about who God is and how much He loves us. Today, we get to learn a brand-new song and it's super fun. Let's stand and sing about God together! Song #1: Move (Auto-Advance) Worship Slide
Let's keep on singing and moving with another amazing song.
Song #2: Even When
(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Gifts that Keep on Giving
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 giving us the gift of leadership. Help us to share your love with others through that gift. Amen.

Elevate Show wraps up.	et's see now The
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 to see you all next week!

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