

# Gifts That Keep on Giving



# Large Group

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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:

<b>Lesson:</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Big Idea:</b>
Lesson 1: November 6/7	Leadership Ephesians 4:11-13	God gives us people who help us learn & 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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## Series at a Glance for Elevate (continued)

### **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 all 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.

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## Lesson Outline for Elevate

### Lesson 5: Encouragement

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



Video Cue



Slide Cue



Audio Cue



Tech Notes

## 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 respect the leaders in here by listening and following their instructions. We respect others by being kind and keeping our hands to ourselves. And we respect the room by being safe, and not damaging anything. Showing respect like that helps us all have a great time.

## Team Time

14:00



Series Title Slide: Gifts that Keep on Giving and clear audio

We are in 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 "Wrap Battle."



Game Title Slide: "Wrap Battle"

In this game, your group will have some wrapping paper. You're going to pick two people, have them face the wall, then the rest of you will wrap something from the room with the wrapping paper. When the people come back, they'll have to guess what you wrapped. The first one to guess correctly is the winner! Then, pick another two people to guess.

Ready? You can go to your groups!

**Do This:** As they start playing, make sure each group has what they need for the game. Give them 5-7 minutes to play, and then call them back to the middle.



Fun Game Music (Christmasy!)

Great job! You can all come back and find a spot to sit.



Game Title Slide: "Wrap Battle" and clear audio

Next, let's get ready to answer our question of the day.



Question of the Day Video



*(Auto Advance)* QOTD Slide: When is a time you felt super encouraged?

Our question today is: When is a time you felt super encouraged? You could think of a time you were encouraged by something someone else said, or by something they did for you. 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

Today, we're going to hear about the gift of encouragement, which is something God gives us, and something He wants us to share with others.

## Media Part 1: Big Problem

5:00

Why is encouragement an amazing gift to get and give? Let's watch The Elevate Show to find out!



Media: Part 1 (5:00)



*(Auto advance)* Group Time Slide

What a great gift to think about. Being encouraged by someone makes such a huge difference, and when we encourage others it makes an impact, too. Next we get to go to group time to talk about what we're learning. Look for your group's flag and meet up with your group leaders 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 story about the gift of encouragement.



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



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

That was an interesting way to encourage someone. The things we say can be encouraging, but so can the things we do.

Next, it's time to meet up with your group leader for an activity about more ways we can encourage others. You can go there now!

## 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

That looked like a fun activity. Let's keep on learning with the Elevate Show!



Media: Part 3 (Application) (5:00)





*(Auto advance)* Worship Slide

It's so important to remember that we can encourage others. Wherever we are, whoever we're with, encouraging through our words and actions can help others have good attitudes, and make everyone enjoy what you're doing a lot more.

## Worship

8:00

I'm so glad God encourages us, too. 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. Let's stand up and sing together!



Song #1: Rock This Planet



*(Auto-Advance)* Worship Slide

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



Song #2: Move



*(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 encouraging us. Help us to share your love with others by encouraging them as well. Amen.

## Media Part 4: Game

6:00

Next, let's see how The Elevate Show wraps up.



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



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

## Wrap-Up

1:00

That was super fun. I'm so glad you were here today, and I hope to see you all next week!



Elevate Slide



Start Christmas Free Time music videos