



Got Questions?



Large Group

Got Questions? Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

Have you ever had questions about God, Jesus, the Bible, or life? Your questions are so important. This whole series is focused on finding answers to some of the biggest questions kids are asking!

Key Verse:

1 Corinthians 13:12- What I know now is not complete. But someday I will know completely, just as God knows me completely.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Topic:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: February 22/23	Why doesn't God give me what I pray for right now? Hezekiah- 2 Kings 18-19	God knows what's best for me.
Lesson 2: February 29/March 1	Why does God let bad things happen? Job	I can trust God when I am hurting.
Lesson 3: March 7/8	What is heaven like? John 14:2-4, Rev. 21:4-7, Colossians 3:1-2	I can live and think in a new way.
Lesson 4: March 14/15	Why should I read the Bible? 2 Timothy 3:15-17	God can use the Bible to lead me.
Lesson 5: March 21/22	Can I be friends with someone when we disagree? Euodia and Syntyche- Philippians 4	We can disagree and still be friends.
Lesson 6: March 28/29	Why does what I watch matter? Mark 7:1-23, Luke 6:45	I can choose what fills my heart.
Lesson 7: April 4/5	How do I know God's purpose for me? Peter's Story- John 21	I can always trust God to guide me.

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Series at a Glance for Elevate (continued)

Lesson 1: Why doesn't God give me what I pray for right now?

Prayer is amazing- we get to talk to the God who made the universe! If God is so powerful, though, why doesn't he always give us what we ask for? This week, we'll see why when God says "wait," or even says "no," it might be a good thing.

Lesson 2: Why does God let bad things happen?

Life can feel unfair sometimes. Why did someone else get what I wanted? Why did I get sick the day before the big game? In Job, one of the oldest books of the Bible, we hear the story of someone who lost everything, and see God actually tell Job about why bad things can happen.

Lesson 3: What is heaven like?

In heaven, we won't play music on harps, won't sit on clouds, and won't even have wings or halos. So, what is heaven really like? This week, we'll learn about heaven from someone who has been there- Jesus himself!

Lesson 4: Why should I read the Bible?

Why do we follow what a book that is thousands of years old says? How do we know that the Bible is true? This week, we'll discover why we can trust the Bible to guide us and help us learn about God today.

Lesson 5: Can I be friends with someone when we disagree?

Sometimes, we all disagree, even with our best friends! This week, we'll learn how we can still be friends with someone, even when we don't see things the way they do.

Lesson 6: Why does what I watch matter?

We watch so many things, from slow-motion videos to YouTube celebrities to our favorite shows on Netflix. This week, we're asking the question: does what we watch matter? Join us as we discover how what we watch can change who we become.

Lesson 7: How do I know God's purpose for me?

God made you for an amazing purpose! The question is: what is it? Why don't we get a step-by-step instruction guide for living out God's purpose for our lives? This week, we'll see how Peter, one of Jesus' closest friends, discovered God's purpose for him in an incredible way.

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Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 4: Why should I read the Bible?

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Opening Song and Welcome (1:00)	
Team Time (14:00)	0:00 – 15:00
Media Part 1 (6:00)	
Group Time (15:00)	
Media Part 2 (9:00)	15:00 – 45:00
Application (5:00)	
Worship (8:00)	
Challenge (Media) (1:00)	
Wrap-Up (1:00)	45:00 - 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! 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! We've got some great things coming up. We'll get to sing, hear some great stories, and play some fun games, too.

Know This: It's important to say the following paragraph roughly word-for-word. We are using this "respect" language intentionally to give kids clear expectations for how to behave while they are in Elevate. We ask that you don't add to or take away from this language.

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 an awesome time.

Team Time

14:00



Series Title Slide: Got Questions? and clear audio

Have you ever wished we could ask God questions, and get some answers? If so, this series is just right for you! We've taken some of the biggest questions people ask about God, Jesus, church, and life, and we're ready to answer them!

Before we find out our big question, we've got a game to play called "Five Word Movies."



Game Title Slide: "Five Word Movies"

I'm going to tell you all what a movie is about, but I only get to use five words. You'll have to guess which movie I'm talking about. You probably won't have seen all of them, so give it your best guess! You'll vote by raising one hand, two hands, or none. Ready? Let's get started!



Fun game music!



Strange group rescues confused astronaut.

One Hand: Toy Story

Two Hands: Tomorrowland

None: Star Wars: The Last Jedi

Do This: Read the description and titles.

Which one do you think is correct? Show me your guesses!

Let's find out!



Strange group rescues confused astronaut.

One Hand: Toy Story

Two Hands: Tomorrowland

None: Star Wars: The Last Jedi

If you guessed "Toy Story," you're correct! Let's go to the next one.



Girl misses living in Minnesota.

One Hand: Moana

Two Hands: Annie

None: Inside Out

Do This: Read the description and titles.

Which one do you think is correct? Make your guess!

Let's see if you're right.



Girl misses living in Minnesota.

One Hand: Moana

Two Hands: Annie

None: Inside Out

That one was "Inside Out." They're going to get even tougher! Ready for another one?



Big family sings wearing curtains.

One Hand: Anne of Green Gables

Two Hands: The Sound of Music

None: Music Man

Do This: Read the description and titles.

Which one do you think it is? Make your guess!

Let's find out if you're correct.



Big family sings wearing curtains.

One Hand: Anne of Green Gables

Two Hands: The Sound of Music

None: Music Man

"The Sound of Music!" If you raised two hands, you're correct. Let's try another one.



Boy paints fence, runs away.

One Hand: Old Yeller

Two Hands: Tom Sawyer

None: The Wind in the Willows

Do This: Read the description and titles.

Which one is the right one? Show me your guesses!

Let's find out if you're correct.



Boy paints fence, runs away.

One Hand: Old Yeller

Two Hands: Tom Sawyer

None: The Wind in the Willows

That one was “Tom Sawyer.” Let’s look at another movie!



Space kid makes friends easily.

One Hand: The Little Prince

Two Hands: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

None: The Secret Garden

Do This: Read the description and titles.

Which one of these is the right title? Make your guess!

Let’s see if you’re correct.



Space kid makes friends easily.

One Hand: The Little Prince

Two Hands: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

None: The Secret Garden

The movie is “The Little Prince.” Let’s look at another movie.



Group fights imaginary sea monsters.

One Hand: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

Two Hands: Finding Nemo

None: Song of the Sea

Do This: Read the description and titles.

Which one of these do you think is about a group that fights imaginary sea monsters?

Let’s find out if you’re correct!



Group fights imaginary sea monsters.

One Hand: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

Two Hands: Finding Nemo

None: Song of the Sea

That one was “The Voyage of the Dawn Treader.” Great job everyone!



Game Title Slide: “Five Word Movies” (and clear audio)

You can take a seat. While you’re finding your spots, we’ve got a big Question of the Day to answer. Let’s find out what it is!



Question of the Day Video



(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: What is the best story you’ve read or watched?

What is the best story you’ve read or watched? What is it about? Is it a book? Movie? Turn to someone near you, learn their name, and talk about that!

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

Stories are incredible. We’re talking about an amazing story today, too.

Media: Part 1

6:00

Today Beka and the Source team are learning about a huge story, and the greatest book of all time. Let’s see if they can find an answer.



The Source: Part 1 (5:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

What do you think is going to happen? You’ll get to talk about that in group time. Look for your group’s flag and meet your group leader there. I’ll see you again in a few minutes!

Group Time

15:00



15:00 Group Time Countdown



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

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

Know This: This is a time for kids to search for answers in the Bible and see how they can use the Bible to investigate and better understand life. This time is designed for kids to interact and deepen their understanding. They won't get all the answers but allow them to question and discover as much as possible. Be ready to support group leaders in any way needed.

Do This: Give the groups a warning about one minute before this time is up.

Media: Part 2

9:00

You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. You've had the chance to think about what the Source team should do. We'll find out what happens to them in a minute, but first Beka has a story for us about someone who knew the Bible really well, and who can tell us how important it is.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

God gave us the Bible for an important reason- it can guide us and help us do what's right!

Application

5:00

Here's what I want you to remember today.



God can use the Bible to lead us.

God can use the Bible to lead us. The Bible isn't always easy to understand, but the stories and advice in the Bible can help us learn how to make wise choices, do what's right, and most importantly, learn about God. Now, that doesn't mean the Bible is going to tell us exactly what to do, instead, it helps us learn by giving us examples of what other people have done.

Do This: Hold up a Bible.

Here's an example. This Bible looks like one book, but it's really a whole bunch of books, all put together. Another place where a whole bunch of books are together is a library.



Library Image

What are some of the kinds of books you might find in a library today? You might find a biography, a book about someone's real life.

Do This: Set a book on a table.

You might find a poetry book, a book filled with beautiful words and rhymes.

Do This: Set another book on top of the first.

You might find a book that's called "fiction" or a made up story.

Do This: Set a third book on top of the others.

You might find books about science and studying our world.

Do This: Set a fourth book on top of the others.

I could keep going, but the point is, all of these books are different. In the Bible, there are 66 books.



Library Image with text: "66 Books"

These books, like the books in a library, are all different. Some of them, like the books about Jesus' life, are about someone who really lived. Some of them, like Psalms or Proverbs, have poetry and wise sayings. Some of them, like the book of Job, have stories that are meant to teach us something. Some of the books were letters one person wrote

to another. All of the books in the Bible have one thing in common, though, they are all about God.



Library Image

So, if all these books are different, we have to do our best to understand them. If you were looking for a song to sing, you wouldn't open a history book. If you were looking to read about an event that happened, you wouldn't pick a book that was a made-up story.

There's an important reason these books are different, too. Remember what Rue said?



God can use the Bible to lead us.

God uses the Bible to lead us. It doesn't give us every answer to every question, but it does help us learn about God in so many ways. There are stories about real people who saw God do amazing things. There are laws God gave to his people. There are songs that we can sing about how wonderful God is. Most importantly, the Bible is the best way to learn about God's Son, Jesus. He is the reason we have the Bible, it all points to him!

The thing to remember is that God gave us every part of the Bible for a reason. God wants all of us to know Jesus' story and how much he loves us. The Bible is amazing because it is filled with stories and amazing things to know about God. He is the one who is always with us, and there for us. He is the one we trust, no matter what. The Bible can teach us what is good and what will hurt us and others. It doesn't give us every answer, or tell us everything we want to know, but God can use it to lead us and help us figure out what decisions to make.



Worship Slide

Worship

8:00

God is incredible, and I'm so thankful we get to learn about him. Let's stand up and get ready to sing about our awesome God!



Song #1: You Are My Hope



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

God's love is so amazing, it makes me want to move and dance! Let's keep on singing and moving with another fun song!



Song #2: By Your Love (EBC)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

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

God, you are wonderful. Thank you for guiding us. Help us to follow the ways you say are wise. Amen.

Challenge

1:00

Let's check in with Beka one more time, she has a challenge for us this week.



Challenge Video (1:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

What a great challenge. When you go, take one of these cards with you!

Do This: Show kids the verse card.

The verses on this card are fantastic verses to memorize and remember. They can help guide us each day.

Wrap-Up

1:00

I'm so glad you were here today, and I hope to see you all next week!



Elevate Slide



Start free time music videos