



**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 6: Why does what I watch matter?

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 hear some great stories, play some fun games, and sing together 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 "What's Inside?"



Game Title Slide: "What's Inside?"

Each of your group leaders has a box, and several things to put inside it. They'll divide your group into two teams. Your goal is to figure out what's inside the box, just by listening to your leader shake it. The team that guesses first gets a point! Ready? You can find your group leader by the flag with your grade on it. Go there, and I'll see you in a few minutes!



Fun game music!

**Do This:** Make sure each group leader has a bag with these items: Marshmallow, pennies, ping pong balls, mac and cheese, and a pencil.

**Know This:** Leaders should keep all the items in the bag, then move one to the box without showing the kids. Then, they can shake the box, and allow the kids to guess. If the kids don't guess what it is within a minute or so, the leader can show them and move on to the next item.

**Do This:** Call the groups back after about 7 minutes.

Ok everyone, you can come back to the middle!



Game Title Slide: "What's Inside?" (and clear audio)

What's inside the box made a big difference in the noise it made! Next we've got a big question to think about. Let's find out what it is.



Question of the Day Video



*(Auto Advance)* QOTD Slide: What is the last song you listened to?

What is the last song you listened to? Not counting the Elevate theme song or the music videos we just heard. Turn to someone near you, learn their name, and talk about that!

**Do This:** Let the kids talk for about 30 seconds.

Awesome! It's amazing how the songs we listen to and things we watch can make a difference in how we think and live.

## Media: Part 1

6:00

Beka and the Source team are talking about that today too. Let's see how the things they watch and listen to are affecting them.



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

Alright, everyone 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, a story God's Son Jesus told a long time ago.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



*(Auto advance)* Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

What we watch and listen to changes us, for good or for bad.

## Application

5:00

Here's what I want you to remember today.



We can choose what fills our hearts.

We can choose what fills our hearts. Now, by hearts, I don't mean your actual heart inside. I mean the kind of heart Jesus was talking about, your heart that is filled by the things you feel and the things you think.

How does what we watch and think about change our hearts? Well, you could think about it like this.

**Do This:** Show kids a vase. Place it in a shallow bin on a table.



Series Title Slide: Got Questions?

This vase is like our heart. Not our actual beating heart, I mean our heart like what we feel and believe, the deepest part of us. When we feel happy or sad, or want something, or feel peaceful, those things come from our hearts. All kinds of things fill up our hearts. Not all of them are bad. When we listen to music, or watch shows, they fill our hearts. Sometimes, that's fine. Sometimes, though, the things we watch can fill our hearts with things that aren't good for us.

**Do This:** Begin to put ping pong balls into the vase. Continue while you talk through this next paragraph.



When we watch a show where people use a ton of bad language, that gets into our heart. When we watch shows where people do things we know are wrong, that can fill our heart. When we listen to music about people doing awful things, that doesn't just go in our ears and disappear. Those things fill our hearts with mean thoughts, bad language, and make us feel like doing wrong things isn't so bad.

**Do This:** Fill up the rest of the vase with ping pong balls.

Like Jesus said, those things don't just disappear, they come back out of us, too. Just like all of you can see these ping pong balls, everyone can see what our hearts are full of. We use language like the people in the shows we watch, or the songs we listen to. We think about the things we do in video games.

Those things aren't always bad. But if a song, a game, or a show fills our hearts with mean thoughts, anger, and disrespect, maybe we should think about letting go of it.

The amazing thing is, letting God into our lives can change everything.

**Do This:** Begin to pour water into the vase with the ping pong balls.

**Know This:** It will take some time for the water to push the ping pong balls out of the vase. It is still working. Keep on pouring until the vase is filled. If totally necessary, you may shake the vase a bit to loosen the ping pong balls if they are stuck.

Like this water fills this vase, God fills our lives with things that are good, right, and hopeful. It pushes away all those hurtful things. The more we spend time getting to know God and following him, the more we'll see what things we need to let go of.

**Do This:** Finish filling the vase with water.

Now, all of us are going to see and hear things we shouldn't, even if we don't want to. You don't have to let those things into your heart, though. You can choose to walk away, or if you heard something unclean or unkind, talk to an adult you can trust about it. Then, choose not to think about those things. This verse from the Bible has some amazing advice about this.



Philippians 4:8- "Think about what is true. Think about what is noble, right, and pure. Think about what is lovely and worthy of respect."

**Do This:** Read the verse from the screen.

We can choose to fill our hearts, our minds, and our time with things that are good, right, and true. There are tons of shows, games, and songs that fit all of those things, but it's up to us to choose them.



Worship Slide

## Worship

8:00

One amazing way to fill our hearts with good things is by singing to God! Let's stand up and get ready to sing about our amazing God.



Song #1: All I Need



*(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 always thinking of us. Help us to fill our hearts, minds, and lives with what is good. 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. Find something great to fill your heart with this week! This card has some great ideas.

**Do This:** Show kids the card.

You could try listening to some of the worship songs we sing here in Elevate with your family or check out some of the other ideas on here.

Another amazing thing you can do this week is invite someone to Easter here at Eagle Brook! It's going to be a super fun week, and everyone will get to hear about the amazing reason we celebrate Easter- God's Son, Jesus.

**Do This:** Show kids the invitation and an Easter egg.

Be sure to pick up some of these invitations on your way out and give them away this week. They've even got some great information about cool things happening on Easter. You'll want to give an Easter egg to the person you're inviting, too, because everyone who comes to Easter will get to fill up an Easter egg with candy!

There will also be a drawing for some amazing prizes on Easter. You'll have to come back to find out what they are!

## 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