

# **Large Group**

# Hero Training

Series at a Glance for Elevate

### **About this Series:**

Have you ever wanted to be a hero? In this series, we'll learn about the "Armor of God," and discover how following God can help us do heroic things, whether we feel like a hero or not.

### **Key Verse**:

Ephesians 6:10- Finally, let the Lord make you strong. Depend on His mighty power.

### **Weekly Overview:**

Lesson:	Title:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: April 17/18	The Training Begins Ephesians 6:10-18	God is training us to do heroic things.
Lesson 2: April 24/25	The Belt of Truth Acts 14:8-28	God's heroes stand for what's true.
Lesson 3: May 1/2	The Armor of Godliness Acts 5:17-22	God's heroes do what God says is right.
Lesson 4: May 8/9 *	The Helmet of Salvation Acts 26 (or) 22:1-21	I can follow Jesus- the greatest hero of all.
Lesson 5: May 15/16	The Shoes of Peace Acts 17 and Eph. 2:17	God's heroes choose peace.
Lesson 6: May 22/23	The Shield of Faith Acts 27	God's heroes trust Him no matter what.
Lesson 7: May 29/30	The Sword of the Spirit Acts 28:17-31	God's heroes change the world for good.
Lesson 8: June 5/6	Move-Up Celebration Psalm 112	Let's celebrate what God has done!

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#### **Lesson 1: The Training Begins**

Ready for hero training? We're preparing to do things that God says are heroic, and a great place to start is with God's armor. This week, we'll see all the pieces of the armor of God and learn what kind of things God is training us to do.

#### **Lesson 2: The Belt of Truth**

Throughout this series, we're joining the writer of the book of Ephesians, Paul, on his epic journeys to tell people about Jesus. This week, when people mistakenly begin to think Paul and his friend are gods, they have to risk a lot to stand up for what's true.

#### Lesson 3: The Armor of Godliness

This week we find two of Jesus' followers in a prison cell, but not for long. Through their story, we'll discover that doing what God says is right can be truly heroic.

#### **Lesson 4: The Helmet of Salvation**

From the beginning, Paul was an unlikely hero. Paul had been unkind and even cruel, until Jesus completely changed his life. This week, we'll hear how that happened, and see how salvation can change our lives, too.

#### **Lesson 5: The Shoes of Peace**

Paul was being chased by some people who just wouldn't let go of their anger. Paul had a message to share, though, and that message wasn't one of fighting and hurt, it was the good news of peace.

#### **Lesson 6: The Shield of Faith**

Trapped on a boat in a raging sea, it must have felt as if Paul was in the middle of a nightmare. Yet even in this scary situation, Paul relied on his faith in God, and believed what God said, no matter what.

#### **Lesson 7: The Sword of the Spirit**

God's armor isn't just to protect us. God's goal is to change the world for good, and He wants to do it through us! This week, we'll finish Paul's story, and see how God can help us make an impact in our world today.

#### **Lesson 8: Move-Up Celebration**

Next week is move-up weekend, so this is a time to celebrate!

# Hero Training Lesson Outline for Elevate

### **Lesson 6: The Shield of Faith**

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 (7:00)	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: Hero Training and clear audio

We're in a series today called "Hero Training." In this series, we're talking about how every one of us can be a hero, even without superpowers. God gives every one of us the chance to do heroic things when we follow Him.

We're going to get started with a game called Dancing Statues.

Game Title Slide: "Dancing Statues"
There are going to be a few pictures on the screen, each one is of someone dancing. You have to pick one of those pictures and copy it, then freeze in place! After a few seconds, one of the pictures will appear. If it's the dance move you chose, you are out!
Let's give it a try!
Dance Pictures 1 and upbeat game music
<b>Do This</b> : Demonstrate a couple of the dance poses for the kids. Allow them to choose one, then count down before showing the next slide.
Ok, make sure you've picked a pose, let's find out who is out this round!
Dance Pictures Selection 1
If you got out, sit down where you are! Let's try another one.
Dance Pictures 2
<b>Do This</b> : Demonstrate a couple of the dance poses for the kids. Allow them to choose one and hold the pose for a bit, then count down before showing the next slide.
Ok, show me your dance poses, and let's find out who is out!
Dance Pictures Selection 2
If you're out, go ahead and sit down. Time to pick another pose!
Dance Pictures 3
<b>Do This</b> : Demonstrate a couple of the dance poses for the kids. Allow them to choose one and hold the pose for a bit, then count down before showing the next slide.
Ok, show me your dance poses, and let's find out who is out!
Dance Pictures Selection 3

Ok, we've only got a couple more, see if you can make it to the end!
Dance Pictures 4
<b>Do This</b> : Demonstrate a couple of the dance poses for the kids. Allow them to choose one and hold the pose for a bit, then count down before showing the next slide.
Ok, show me your dance poses, and let's find out who is out!
Dance Pictures Selection 4
One more time, show me your dance moves!
Dance Pictures 5
<b>Do This</b> : Demonstrate a couple of the dance poses for the kids. Allow them to choose one and hold the pose for a bit, then count down before showing the next slide.
Ok, show me your dance poses, and let's find out who is out!
Dance Pictures Selection 5
Great job everyone! You can all find a spot to sit.
Game Title Slide: "Dancing Statues" (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've had to trust someone?

Our question today is: When is a time you've had to trust someone? Think about it and if you want to share, turn to someone near you and tell them about it! Make sure to listen to their story, too.

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

Know This: You could share a very brief story about the Series Title Slide: Hero Training  All of us have times when we need to trust other partial than as well.			
Media Part 1: Big Problem	5:00		
To find out what trusting God looks like, we're got Let's find out what they're doing today.  Media: Part 1 (5:00)  (Auto advance) Group Time Slide  What a great question from Josh and Beka. Next, we're got Let's find out what they're doing today.  Media: Part 1 (5:00)	we get to meet up with our groups to		
Group Time 1	7:00		
7:00 Group Time Countdown  (Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Hero Training			
<b>Do This</b> : Make sure each kid finds their group. Help Encourage kids as they work to discuss the question			
<b>Know This</b> : 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, Josh and Beka have a Bible story for us that might help us think of answers to the questions we've been talking about.



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



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Hero Training

What a great story! 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



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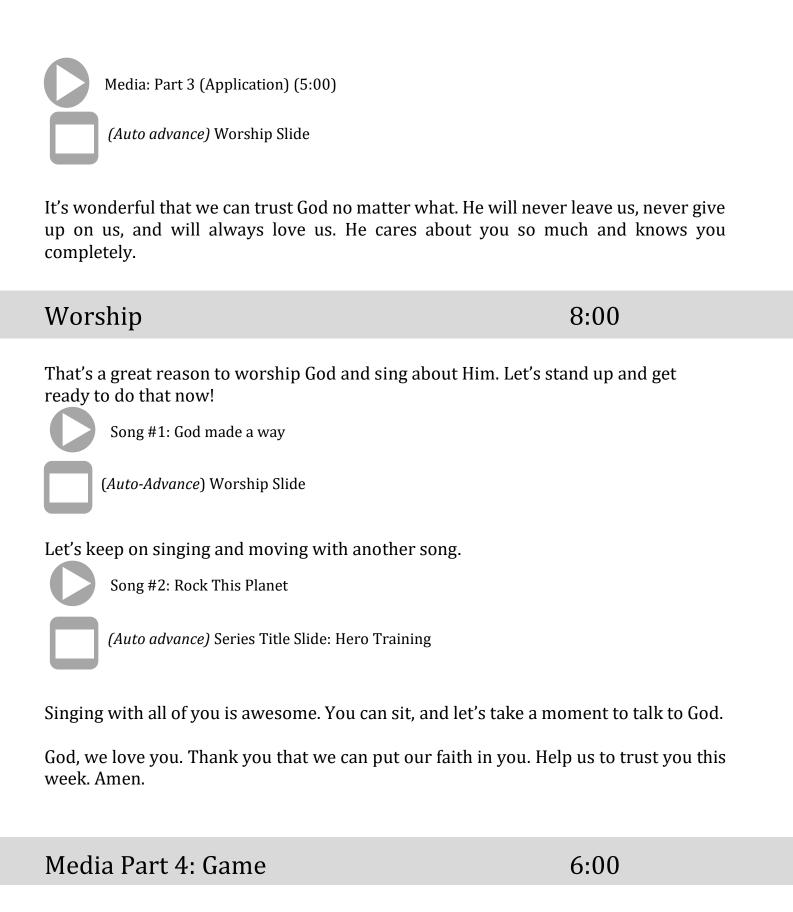
**Do This**: Make sure each kid finds their group. Help group leaders if there is a need. Encourage kids as they work to discuss the question.

**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

I wonder what Josh and Beka have learned from all they've been doing today. Let's find out!



You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. Next up, let's see how Josh and Beka's adventure wraps up.

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 you all come back next week as we continue our hero training!

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Start free time music videos