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Large Group

Multiplayer

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

It's not always easy working with others. They make mistakes, disagree with you, and even quit. There are things you can't do alone, though. This series, we'll see that if life was a game, it'd have to be multi-player. Our friends have a big impact on our lives. We'll be talking about how to find a good friend, how to be a good friend, and the incredible difference a good friend can make.

Key Verse:

James 1:19- Everyone should be quick to listen. But they should be slow to speak. They should be slow to get angry.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Topic:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: September 7/8	Signing On Jesus chooses disciples- Luke 6:12-16	A good friend is worth searching for.
Lesson 2: September 14/15	Player 2 The Good Samaritan- Luke 10:25-37	A good friend puts others first.
Lesson 3: September 21/22	Chatroom Israel Complains, Exodus 16	A good friend has a good attitude.
Lesson 4: September 28/29	Side Quests Mary and Martha, Luke 10:38-42	A good friend pays attention.
Lesson 5: October 5/6	Level Up Ruth and Naomi- Ruth	A good friend is there when life is tough.
Lesson 6: October 12/13	Muted Jesus' brother- James 1:19, John 7	A good friend tries to understand.
Lesson 7: October 19/20	For the Team Paul and Barnabas- Acts 15:36-41	A good friend forgives.
Lesson 8: October 26/27	Endgame Gospel Story- John 18-21	I can choose to follow Jesus.

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Lesson 1: Signing On

When Jesus sent His disciples out on an important mission, one of the things He told them to do was make friends. This week, we'll learn about making friends, and find out why having good friends and being a good friend, can both make a huge difference.

Lesson 2: Player 2

Have you ever felt like you were "Player 2"? Like someone else gets to make all the choices, and you just have to watch? Letting others be first can be tough, but Jesus gives us an even greater challenge—choose to put other people first. This week we'll discover what that looks like, with a story from Jesus Himself.

Lesson 3: Chatroom

Have you ever seen someone bring down a fun time with a bad attitude? Or have you seen someone turn a boring day into an awesome one because they had a great attitude? This week, we'll see how we can make a difference with the power of attitude.

Lesson 4: Side Quests

Have you ever talked to someone who was distracted? It probably felt like they weren't listening or even like they didn't care. This week, we'll see what happened when one of Jesus' friends got distracted and learn how we can show others we care by paying attention.

Lesson 5: Level Up

When your team is losing, would you rather have teammates who quit, or keep on trying? Teams have to keep on trying, of course! It's the same for good friends. When our friend's life gets tough, we can make a huge difference, just by being there for them.

Lesson 6: Muted

Is there someone it feels like you always disagree with? You barely see them, and you're already arguing. This week, we'll see what happened when one of Jesus' brothers completely ignored Him and see the power of understanding someone else's point of view.

Lesson 7: For the Team

Sometimes, even the best of friends disagree. This week, we'll see what happened when two friends named Paul and Barnabas had a big argument and learn how forgiveness can save our friendships.

Lesson 8: Endgame

What does a great friend do? This week, we'll see the greatest example of friendship ever, and learn how being friends with Jesus can change our lives.

Multiplayer Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 3: Chatroom

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! Coming up, we've got some games, music, and we'll talk about a really important question. We'll also get to see a story about a group of people who complained all the time, and we'll see how that worked out for them.

Team Time

14:00



Series Title Slide: Multiplayer and clear audio

This series that we're in is called "Multiplayer." If you've ever played a game with someone else, that was a "multiplayer" game. Our lives are kind of "multiplayer," too. There are other people we have to be around, work with, trust, and help. That can be challenging, though. Today we'll find out one way you can make every relationship you have better. What is it? You'll have to wait to find out. Right now, let's get moving with a game called "Common Ground."



Game Title Slide: Common Ground

Your group will make a circle on the floor with one person in the middle. Your leader will read that person a card that asks them something about themselves. If your answer is the same as theirs, you have to stand up, and find a new open place to sit in the circle. The last person to sit down has to be in the middle next. Got it?

Know This: Groups should be about 20 or more kids. If groups need to combine, or you are able to play this with all the kids together as a large group, that is ok, too.

Do This: Make sure each group leader has a set of cards.

You may join your groups now! Look for the flag with your grade written on it and go there. If you are in first grade, you will go to the white flag to meet your group leader.

Do This: Allow groups to get organized.

Ready, set, go!



Fun Game Music!

Do This: Allow them to play for 5-7 minutes, or until they are wrapping up.



Game Title Slide: Common Ground (and clear audio)

Good job everyone, you can come back to the front and find a place to sit! It's fun to learn more about each other. Another great way to get to know each other is by taking on challenges together. Let's see what our challenge wheel has got for us today.



Challenge Wheel Video



(Auto Advance) Challenge Wheel Slide: Find three people wearing your favorite color and give them each a high-five!

Find three people wearing your favorite color and give them each a high five! Ready, set, go!

Do This: Give kids about thirty seconds to complete the challenge.



Fun Game Music!



Series Title Slide: Multiplayer (and clear audio)

Great job! My favorite color is _____.

Media: Part 1

6:00

Over the past couple weeks, we've been getting to know Rue and the Source news team. Let's find out what they're doing this week.



The Source: Part 1 (5:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Multiplayer

They're facing a really challenging problem. Can you solve it? You'll get to talk about that in group time. You can 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: Multiplayer

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, 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 Rue has a story for us about a group of people who had really bad attitudes.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Multiplayer

It's amazing how much our attitudes matter.

Application

5:00

That's what I want you to remember today.



A good friend has a good attitude.

A good friend has a good attitude. In group time, we saw how a bad attitude can make our lives more boring, more difficult, and less fun. Imagine someone who walks into every class at school and says, "This is boring." Or "I don't want to be here." Do you think they're going to enjoy school? No!

Do This: Take out a jug of "dirty" water. It should have only one drop of food coloring in it. Put the food coloring in ahead of time.

It's like this jug of dirty water. Just a little dirt or something else gross would make you not want to drink this. Like that, having a bad attitude affects our whole life. A bad attitude can make us feel upset, annoyed, and bored, no matter what happens to us. A good attitude, though, changes our lives like a filter.

Do This: Pour some of the water into a bottle with a filter on it.

Imagine if that person changed their attitude about school. The school is the same, but they choose to say "This can be fun," and "Learning is important." Do you think they'll

have a better time at school? Yes! Absolutely. You can't control your school, the people around you, or what happens to you, but you can control your attitude. You have the power to change it.



Series Title Slide: Multiplayer

Like we saw in group time, a bad attitude can spoil anything. A teammate with a bad attitude ruins the game. A kid at school with a bad attitude makes it less fun. A bad attitude can make our families struggle. But a good attitude is even more powerful. It's like a filter for our lives.

Do This: Squeeze the bottled water into a clear cup. The bottle will filter the food coloring out. Only squeeze a little water into the cup, the more you squeeze, the more red dye might make it through.

What happened to this water when it went through the filter? It became clearer again! The filter gets rid of dirt, grime, and muck. When we filter all the things that happen to us, good or bad, through a good attitude, we'll see the world in a new way. Bad things will still happen, but a good attitude reminds us that those bad things don't define who we are. Only God can tell us who we are, because he made us. And He says you are so amazingly and wonderfully made. Nothing can change that.

A good attitude works like this filter for our lives. If someone says something mean to us, a bad attitude might cause us to get angry or fight, but a good attitude helps us say "I'm not going to let them ruin my day."

When we fail, a bad attitude might make us say "I give up," or "I can't do this." But a good attitude helps us say "I'll try again," or "I'm still learning, I'll ask for help."

Here's the amazing thing: Every one of us can choose what kind of attitude we're going to have, because God made us that way. When life is tough, when it's great, and when it's anything in-between, you can choose the attitude you have, whatever happens. You can control your attitude, and the better you can control your attitude, the more you'll be able to be a great friend and family member.

Keep on thinking about that, what kind of attitude do you usually have? How could you choose to have a better attitude? Before we finish up with a challenge from Rue, let's take some time to worship God.



Worship Slide

Worship

8:00

“Worship” is what we call saying or showing how much we love God. We worship by singing here in Elevate, but when we talk to God, learn about Him, and live the way He wants us to, we could call those things worship, too.

Right now, let’s sing about our awesome God together!



Song #1: Who I Wanna Be



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

God knows us, He loves us, and He can tell us exactly who we were made to be. He made you for such a great reason and purpose. That’s what this song reminds us of. Let’s sing it together.



Song #2: Remind Me



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Multiplayer

It’s great singing with you all. You can sit, but let’s take a moment to talk to God.

God, thank you for how much you love us. Help us to choose good attitudes this week. In Jesus’ name, amen.

Challenge

1:00

Let’s check in with Rue one more time, she has a challenge all of us can make happen this week.



Challenge Video (1:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Multiplayer

Take that challenge! You'll see just how powerful changing your attitude can be. I'll be taking that challenge and looking for a time when I could have a better attitude, too.

Wrap-Up

1:00

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



Elevate Slide



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