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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:

<b>Lesson:</b>	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Big Idea:</b>
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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## Series at a Glance for Elevate (continued)

### **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 8: Endgame

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 (10:00)	
Media Part 2 (9:00)	15:00 – 40:00
Application (10:00)	
Worship (8:00)	
Challenge (Media) (1:00)	
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! 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 hear an amazing story about the greatest friend ever.

## Team Time

14:00



Series Title Slide: Multiplayer and clear audio

This is the last week of our series 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's what we're talking about this series, how our friends and families make a difference in our lives, and how we can change their lives, too.

Right now, let's get moving with a game called "Nailed it or failed it."



Game Title Slide: "Nailed it or Failed it."

I'm going to show you a video of a cat, who is about to jump. Your job is to guess whether the cat "nails" the jump or "fails" the jump. To guess "nailed it," stand up! To guess that the cat "fails it" sit down. Ready? Let's check out our first video!



These videos will all pause on the last frame. Don't advance them until the large group leader cues you.



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 1

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 1 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

Let's check out another one.



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 2

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 2 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

Let's look at the next clip!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 3

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 3 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

Alright, let's check out the next clip.



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 4

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 4 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

Wow! Take a look at this next one.



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 5

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 5 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

Next we've got another clip to check out!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 6

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 6 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

Let's move on to the next one!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 7

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 7 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

We've got one more clip to check out!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 8

What do you think happened? Make your vote!

**Do This:** Make your own guess with the kids!



Nailed it or Failed it Clip 8 (Full)

**Do This:** React to the clip with the kids.

That was so fun, unless you were one of those cats who failed, I guess. Next it's time to get to know each other with our question of the day!



QOTD Video



*(Auto Advance)* Question of the Day Slide: If you had your own show, what would it be about?

If you had your own show, what would it be about? Find someone near you and tell them! Then listen to their answer, too.

**Do This:** Give kids 20-30 seconds to talk.



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Those all sound like fun shows to watch. Sometimes, when we watch a show, or learn a lot about a person, we call it “following” them.

## Media: Part 1

6:00

We've been “following” the story of the Source team for several weeks now. They're going to face some trouble today, let's see what choices they make.



The Source: Part 1 (5:00)



*(Auto advance)* Series Title Slide: Multiplayer

What do you think they should do? 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

10:00





10:00 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 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 Rue has a story for us about the greatest example of friendship ever.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



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Who or what you follow can change everything.

## Application

10:00

Here's what I want you to remember today.



You can choose to follow Jesus.

You can choose to follow Jesus. Like Rue was saying, following Jesus means more than just knowing about him or thinking he's super cool. Following Jesus is means trusting him with your whole life. It's a life-long adventure. Like any adventure, though, there are steps for you to take along the way.



Walkie-Talkie Image

**Do This:** Make sure the walkie-talkie, compass, and boot are set out on the stage.

**Do This:** Pick up the walkie-talkie.

So the important question I want you to answer is: what is your next step? Maybe you have questions or aren't sure what to do. That's ok. God has an amazing plan for you, and a journey ahead of you. This walkie-talkie represents an important step you can take today, and that is: talk to someone. Ask your questions about God, ask about what you don't understand yet. Those questions are so important to God, and to us.

**Do This:** Set down the walkie-talkie. Walk to the boot and pick it up.



Boots Image

Some of you might have already decided to follow Jesus. You're ready to go, and you're on this adventure of life with Him. That is wonderful, but you should know that your adventure doesn't end there! We call it "following" Jesus because our lives are about doing what He did, living like He lived, and telling other people about Him. This boot represents the adventure you're already on with Jesus.

**Do This:** Set down the boot. Walk to the compass and pick it up.



Compass Image

For some of you, today is an amazing day. The most important question you can answer on an adventure is who or what will you follow? This compass is something you can follow if you're on an adventure. Follow it, and you won't get lost, because it'll tell you the way. That's what Jesus can do for every one of us. He's even better than a compass, because He'll lead you the right way, and be your savior, leader, and friend forever. If you want to choose to follow Him today, you can make that choice! All you have to do is tell Him. I want to give you the chance to do that right now.

**Do This:** Hold on to the compass. Have a leader come up to the front and pick up the boots and the walkie-talkie. That leader should stay in the front so the kids can see them.



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Whatever step of the journey you're on, we want to help you keep moving! In a moment, I'm going to have everyone stand. If you've already decided to follow Jesus, or you have questions and aren't sure about following Jesus, you can go with \_\_\_\_\_. They would love to listen to you and talk about the questions you have.

**Do This:** Clearly point to the leader they should follow. They should be holding the walkie-talkie and the boot.

If you want to make the amazing choice to follow Jesus for the first time today, you can follow me. I'll help you talk to God and tell Him you want to follow Jesus, and then I'll give you one of these books to help you get started on this awesome journey with Jesus!

**Do This:** Show kids the Following Jesus book.

Whatever step you're on, we want to give you the chance to move forward today. So, now I'm going to have everyone stand up!

**Do This:** Allow everyone to stand.

If you have already decided to follow Jesus, or you have more questions that you want to ask, you can go with \_\_\_\_\_. If you want to decide to follow Jesus for the first time, come with me! Let's go!



## Background Music

**Do This:** Lead the kids through the decision groups pages. After about eight minutes, return to the middle and call the kids back.

**Know This:** If kids in the decision group need longer to talk, you may do the first worship song before they return. Make sure they have plenty of time to talk and pray in that group.



## "Congratulations!" Slide (and clear audio)

If you just made that decision for the very first time, congratulations! I am so excited for you, because following Jesus is the most amazing choice you could ever make. Everyone, let's give them a round of applause and celebrate the awesome choice they all just made!

**Do This:** Clap with the kids!



Worship Slide

## Worship

8:00

Let's keep on celebrating by worshipping God with some music!



Song #1: I Will Follow You (EBC)



*(Auto-Advance)* Worship Slide

Let's keep on singing and moving with another fun song about God's love for us.



Song #2: Higher than the Sky



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I love singing with all of you. You can sit, but let's take a moment to talk to God.

God, thank you for sending Jesus, and showing how much you love us. Help us to follow Jesus every day. Amen.

## Challenge

1:00

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



Challenge Video (1:00)



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That's a great challenge. We've talked about steps each one of you can take, but it's up to you to make it happen! Take another step on your journey with Jesus this week.

We have something awesome to give every one of you this week.

**Do This:** Show kids the board game.

This is your own board game! Make sure you pick one of these up as you leave. If you have brothers or sisters here in Elevate, too, only one of you needs to pick it up. You can't get this game anywhere else, it's designed just for you!

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



*(Auto-Advance)* Elevate Slide



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