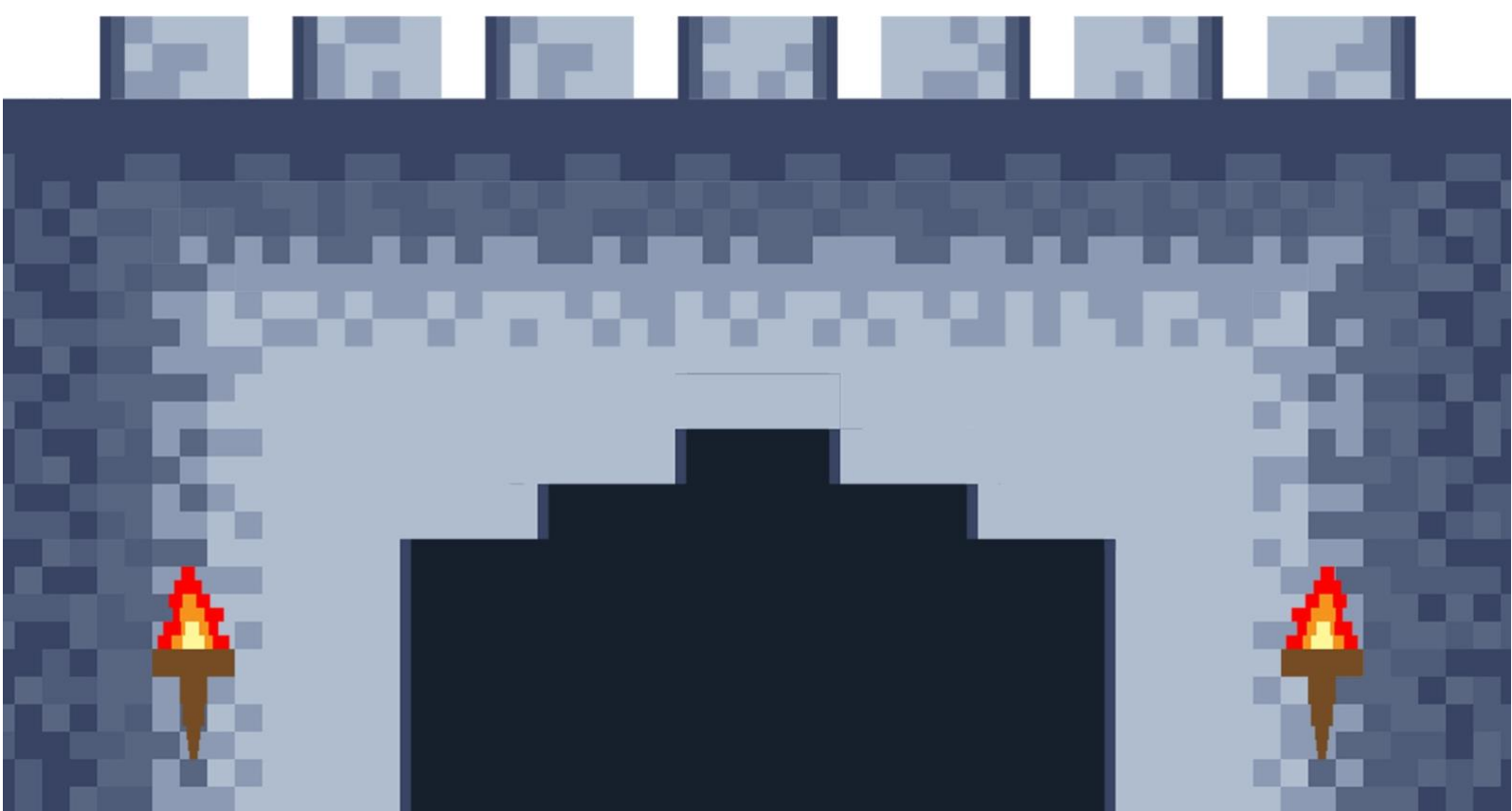


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Large Group

Quest for a King Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

For thousands of years, God's people waited. They waited for a leader, for someone who could show them what God was really like. When that leader showed up, though, it was in a way no one expected. Come along as we tell the story of the whole Bible, on our epic quest for a king!

Key Verse:

Isaiah 9:2- The people who are now living in darkness will see a great light. They are now living in a very dark land. But a light will shine on them.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Title:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: November 2/3	The Kingdom Creation: Genesis 1	I can believe what God says about me.
Lesson 2: November 9/10	Searching for Light The Fall: Genesis 3	I can believe God has a plan, even when I've gone off course.
Lesson 3: November 16/17	Waiting for a Promise Abraham: Genesis 12:1-8	I can believe God's promises.
Lesson 4: November 23/24	Hoping for a King David: 2 Samuel 7	I can believe God's directions are good.
Lesson 5: Nov. 30/Dec. 1	The Light Isaiah 9:2, 6-7	I can share hope with others.
Lesson 6: December 7/8	The Promise Matthew 2	God's love includes everyone.
Lesson 7: December 14/15	The King Mary's Story: Luke 1:26-80; Matthew 1:18-25	Jesus came to show everyone who God is.
Lesson 8: December 21-24	Christmas Party Luke 2	I can follow God.

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Series at a Glance for Elevate (continued)

Lesson 1: The Kingdom

Take a moment and look at the world around you. Our world is incredible, from the smallest atoms to the biggest planets, and it was all designed by our amazing God.

Lesson 2: Searching for Light

God made our world so wonderful, but it doesn't always feel wonderful. Why is that? This week, we'll see what happened when people who lived a long time ago disobeyed God and look at the amazing purpose God created every one of us with.

Lesson 3: Waiting for a Promise

God made Abraham a huge promise, so huge that it affected everyone in the world. God's promise was so huge, that it is still changing our lives today! We'll find out how, this week.

Lesson 4: Hoping for a King

David was a powerful, good, and wise king, but was he the greatest king? This week, we'll hear how even King David was watching and waiting for an even more amazing leader to come, and we'll hear an amazing promise from God about the greatest king of all time.

Lesson 5: The Light

Where is God? People have asked that same question for a long time. When Isaiah asked, he got an answer from God Himself! He saw that God has an awesome plan all of us are part of.

Lesson 6: The Promise

Sometimes, kingdoms don't get along. People argue, disagree, and even fight. God's kingdom is different, though. When God has a celebration, He invites everyone. And He means everyone! This week, we'll find out why every person on earth is welcome in God's kingdom.

Lesson 7: The King

At Christmas, we are hearing the most important story of all time. God came to live with us, and He arrived as a tiny, powerless baby. This week, we'll meet our king, our friend, and our leader, and learn just how incredible He is.

Lesson 8: Christmas Party

It's time for a celebration! Join us this week to celebrate the day God came to live with us and show how much He loves us.

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Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 6: The Promise

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



Make sure the Christmas music video playlist is playing ahead of the hour this week!



(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 super excited to be here with all of you. Get ready for some Christmas themed games, an amazing story, and some great music, all coming up!

Team Time

14:00



Series Title Slide: Quest for a King and clear audio

We're in a series called "Quest for a King." A long time ago, people were waiting for God to send someone to save them and help them, they wanted a king, a leader. Today, we get to hear about God's plan to send the greatest king of all, and an invitation that we don't want anyone in the world to miss.

We'll hear that story in a few minutes, but first, we're going to play a game called "Blob Tag."



Game Title Slide: "Blob Tag"

Do This: Have a volunteer set out eight cones in as big of a square shape as they can.

I'm going to pick two people to be it. Everyone has to stay in this square and stay away from the people who are it. The catch is, the two people who are it must link elbows, and can't let go. When they tag someone, that person must join the blob by linking elbows with the person on the end. The blob will get bigger and bigger, until everyone is caught!

Let's give it a try! Everyone get into the square, and get ready to play! First I'll need two people to be it.

Do This: Pick two kids to be it. You should probably pick older kids to start.

Know This: Spend about 8-10 minutes on the game. If the first game goes quickly, you may play it again.

Ready, set, go!



Fun Game Music!

Alright, that was fun! You can come back up here and find a spot to sit.



Game Title Slide: "Blob Tag" and clear audio

As the blob, you were really just trying to surround all the other people and catch them. That's kind of like the job the people in our Bible story for today had, except they were trying to catch sheep, instead of people. We'll learn more about them in a few minutes, but first let's learn more about each other with a question of the day!



Question of the Day Video



(Auto Advance) Question of the Day Slide: What would the best party ever be like?

What would the best party ever be like? What would you eat? What games would you play? Who would be there? Take a minute and talk about that with someone near you.

Do This: Give kids time to talk with each other.

Media: Part 1

6:00

One of the most important parts of any party are the people you invite to be there. The Source Team is asking a question about who to invite today, too. Let's find out what they're up to.



The Source: Part 1 (5:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Quest for a King

What do you think they should do? 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: Quest for a King

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

Come on back to the middle and find a place 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 some people who got what might be the coolest invitation of all time.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Quest for a King

Just an invitation can make a huge difference to someone.

Application

5:00

Here's what I want you to think about today.



God's love includes everyone.

God's love includes everyone. The wise men learned that in a huge way. I want to think for a minute, though. What does that really mean, that God includes everyone? It's easy to say "God loves everyone in the world," but what difference should that make?

The truth is, knowing that God's love includes everyone can change the way we see our friends, families, and really anyone. Let's look at a couple examples.

Do This: Take out a volleyball.



Series Title Slide: Quest for a King

If you're on a team, like volleyball, or in an activity like choir or theater, there are probably people there that you don't know super well. So, that other kid, you don't know well, you might not talk to them, does God's love include them? Yes! It does. So God cares about them, and has an amazing plan for them, we should care about them, too.

Do This: Set down the volleyball and take out a three-ring binder.

What about at school? You might have a lot of friends at school, but there also might be people that you don't know well, or even people you don't really like. Does God's love include them? Yes! God loves them, even the people we don't like.

So what can we do? Well, including someone is one of the greatest ways we can share God's love with them. You could invite someone to join your group of friends, take time to talk to them, or just start by smiling at them and saying "hi."

There's one other huge thing you can do to include someone, though. We are throwing a huge Christmas party in a couple weeks, and we want to invite everyone we can. We want to invite our friends, family, people we know well, and people we don't know super well. They are all invited, but it's up to you to let them know that they're invited. When you leave today, you'll get an invitation that you can give to someone. Grab one, grab five if you'd like, but make sure to give them away!

Do This: Show kids the invitation.

Right now, take a moment, and think of someone you want to invite. A friend from school, someone on your team, or in a group you're part of. It could even be a cousin or someone in your family that doesn't have a church they usually go to. We want every person to know that they are welcome here, and that God loves them.



Worship Slide

Worship

8:00

Before we wrap up with a challenge from Rue, let's take some time to sing together. It's almost Christmas time, so let's start by singing a Christmas song called Oh What a Glorious Night.



Song #1: Oh What a Glorious Night



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

I love singing with all of you. Let's get moving with another song, "Brighter."



Song #2: Brighter



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Quest for a King

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

God, thank you for welcoming and including all of us. Help us to include others, too, just like you do. 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)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Quest for a King

Wrap-Up

1:00

What a great challenge! Invite someone to our Christmas party coming up! Make sure to grab a few of these invitations on your way out and give them away this week.

Do This: Show kids the invitation.

Remember, we want everyone to know they're invited to Christmas here at church, but we need your help to tell them all! Let's all go out and invite this week. I'm so glad you were here today, and I hope to see you all next week.



Elevate Slide



Start Christmas free time music videos