





# **Group Time Guide**

Supplies Needed: 16 paper plates, maze answer sheet.

### 1. Getting Started

Ask: What's a puzzle or a problem you've had to solve?

## 2. Discussion Questions

- What do you think might happen to Trixie? What do you think she should do?
- Can you think of a time when things didn't go the way you planned? What happened?
- Can you think of a time when someone else had a different plan or idea than you did? What happened?

## 3. Hands-On Option

**Look Up and Read**: Proverbs 3:5-6. These verses are about trusting God even more than we trust ourselves. Choosing to follow someone else's plan rather than our own takes trust.

**Do This**: Lay out the paper plates in a 4x4 grid. Tell the kids that in those plates is a maze. They have to step on the plates in the right order. The problem is, only you can see what the correct order is. They have to guess. Only one person can go at a time. If the person steps on the wrong plate, they must go to the back of the line, and the next person has to try. Once everyone has gotten through the maze, or when time is running short, move on to discussing the activity.

**Know This**: You may give hints to help them, especially for 1-2<sup>nd</sup> grade groups.

**Discuss**: What could have made that easier? (Seeing the map.) Do we always know what to do next in life? (No.) Who did those verses we read say we should trust, especially when we don't know what to do next? (God.)

**The Point**: We can see a few things in God's plan, but God sees the whole thing, like how I could see the whole maze. That's one reason we can always trust God.

## 4. Wrap-Up and Prayer

**Ask**: What was the best part of your week? What was something tough that happened this week?

Do This: Pray with the kids.