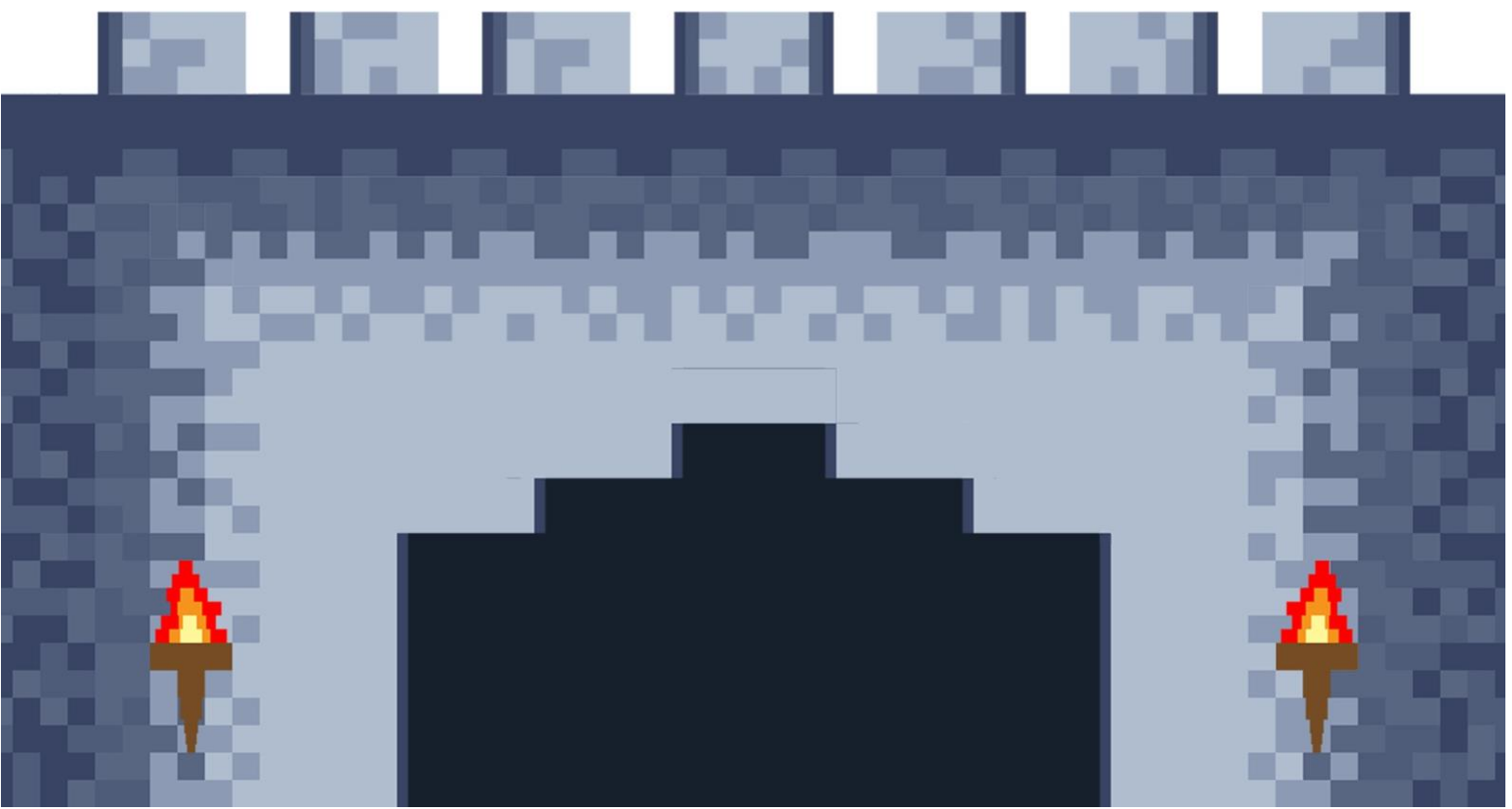


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# Large Group

## 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:

<b>Lesson:</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Big Idea:</b>
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 4: Hoping for a King

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



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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. We've got games, music, and stories coming up, so let's get started!

## 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. God sent that person, the greatest king of all, and in this series we get to see how all of that happened, right from the beginning. We've learned that God made our whole world. We've learned that God loves everyone, even when people began to do things they knew were wrong. Last week, we saw how God made an amazing promise to someone named Abraham, and learned that we can always trust and believe God's promises.

To get started today, we're going to play a game called step by step.



Game Title Slide: "Step by Step."

Each of your group leaders has some instructions for you. Your challenge is to follow all of the instructions within five minutes. You must do all of the challenges as a group, so stick by your leader and other group members!

Look for the flag with your grade on it to find your groups, you can go there now.

**Do This:** Allow kids time to get into their groups.

Alright, are you ready to complete these challenges? Group leaders, you can read the first one in three, two, one, go!



5:00 Countdown and fun game music!



*(Auto-Advance)* Game Title Slide: “Step by Step” and clear audio

Great job everyone! That game makes me think. We don’t always like to follow directions, but they can be super helpful, too. You can come back to the middle and get ready to answer a question of the day.



Question of the Day Video



*(Auto Advance)* Question of the Day Slide: What are you most excited for this Thanksgiving?

What are you most excited for this Thanksgiving? Thanksgiving is this Thursday, what are you most excited for? Turn to someone next to you and talk about that!

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

## Media: Part 1

6:00

Our game earlier was all about following directions. Next we’ll get to see what Rue and the Source team can tell us about following directions we might not like that much.



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 someone who got some tough directions from God.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



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

Trusting God's plan and following His directions can make such a big difference in our lives.

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



I can believe God's directions are good.

We can believe God's directions are good. When He says to do something or not to do something, we can always trust that God knows what's best for us. After all, God made us! He knows exactly the way we should live.

In group time, you talked about different times and ways you could follow God's directions. The tough thing is, I don't know what's going on in your life right now. I can't tell you exactly what following God's directions looks like, or exactly what He wants you to do. I can give you something that can help, though.

**Do This:** Show kids the big "Finding God's Directions" page.



Finding God's Directions Page Image

This page asks several questions that can help you get thinking about ways to follow God right where you are. Let's walk through it together, with an example.

The first thing to do is think of one important part of your life. It could be your family, a friendship, school, something new you're starting, or a sport or activity. For this example, let's pick a friendship.

**Do This:** Write "Friendship" on the top line of the page.

In the second part, you get to write about what is good about this big thing, and what you might need help with. Let's say, we've been friends for years.

**Do This:** Write down "we've been friends for a long time" on the "What's great about this" side of the page.

The problem is, we've been arguing a lot, and it's making me feel sad.

**Do This:** Write "arguing" on the "What's not going well" side of the page.



The next thing to do is to tell God about this. Stop, pray, and tell God about it. You could tell Him, God, I've been friends with this person for a long time, and I'm glad they are my friend, but we've been arguing, and I don't know what to do. Could you help me?

Finally, think about what God might be asking you to do about this. Is this a chance to show someone God's love? Do you have the chance to encourage someone? Could you help someone in a way they might not expect? Pick one of those three things to do and look up the verse that goes with it. Let's look at the first one, about sharing God's love. These verses give us some of God's instructions, directions we can always believe.



1 Corinthians 13:4-7 "Love is patient. Love is kind. It does not want what belongs to others. It does not brag. It is not proud.

**Do This:** Read the verse from the screen.

Now, there are actually more verses after this, but you can read them for yourself. This gives us a great start. What if, in my friendship, I decided to be patient and kind to my friend? What if I let them talk, and said good things about them, instead of bragging about myself? This give me some great ideas about how to be a good friend!

**Do This:** Write down "Being patient," "Being kind," and "Listening" under the "Ideas" section.

Finally, write down some ways you could follow what those verses say. Then you've found some ways to follow God! Each of you can get one of these pages when you leave today, or more if you would like! They take some thought, but it's really neat to sit and think about what following God looks like in our own lives.



Worship Slide

## Worship

8:00

Before we wrap up with a challenge from Rue, let's take some time to sing together. Our first song is called "I Will Follow You."



Song #1: I Will Follow You



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

I love singing with all of you. Let's get moving even more with our next song, "Higher than the Sky!"



Song #2: Higher Than the Sky



(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 leading us. Help us to follow your directions, wherever we are. 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! Pick up one of these pages when you leave today and think about ways you can follow God in your home, school, and anywhere else you go!

**Do This:** Show kids the "Following God" handout.

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



Elevate Slide



Start free time music videos