

ROAD TRIP



Large Group

Road Trip

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

This summer, we're going on a road trip! We'll see amazing sights, learn new and strange facts, and meet some incredible people. This tour won't just take us around the world, but also through time, to meet some people known as "prophets." Each one of these people has an important message from God! We'll see how their words changed the world thousands of years ago and discover how they can still change our lives today.

Key Verse:

Micah 6:8- You must act with justice. You must love to show mercy. And you must be humble as you live in the sight of your God.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Topic:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: June 1/2	On the Road Elijah, 1 Kings 17-18	I can always trust God to come through.
Lesson 2: June 8/9	Mis-Guided Elisha, 2 Kings 6	God is working all around me.
Lesson 3: June 15/16	Good Times Ahead Joel	Every person can follow God.
Lesson 4: June 22/23	Special Delivery Jonah	Mercy can change lives.
Lesson 5: June 29/30	Strange Sights Amos	I need God when life is good.
Lesson 6: July 6/7	Wrong Turn Hosea	I can love someone, even when they're wrong.
Lesson 7: July 13/14	Culture Shock Micah	I can stand out for what's right.

Lesson 8: July 20/21	Group Photo Obadiah	I can care about how others are feeling.
Lesson 9: July 27/28	Breakdown Nahum	God is with me when I feel hurt.
Lesson 10: August 3/4	Repairs Needed Zephaniah/Huldah	Today is the day to follow God.
Lesson 11: August 10/11	Bumpy Roads Habakkuk	God's plans can be unexpected.
Lesson 12: August 17/18	Landmark Haggai	I can put God first.
Lesson 13: August 24/25	Interpreter Needed Zechariah	Following God means loving others.
Lesson 14: Aug. 31/Sep. 1	A Great View Malachi	I can be faithful to God, wherever I am.

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Lesson 1: On the Road

It's time to get this road trip started! Every journey is filled with ups and downs, and Elijah's was no different. Find out how God came through for Elijah, even when everything seemed lost.

Lesson 2: Mis-Guided

Do you ever wish you could see what God is doing? This week, we'll learn what Elisha knew long ago. God is working all around us, and sometimes to see it, we just need to pay attention.

Lesson 3: Good Times Ahead

If you heard someone say "I'm going to run a race in the next Olympics," what would you expect them to do? Eat cake for every meal? Sit on the couch all day? Of course not! Anyone who wants to do something amazing has to prepare. That's the message Joel wanted all of God's people to know: Don't wait to listen to God, start following Him today.

Lesson 4: Special Delivery

Have you heard the word "mercy"? It's what you call forgiving someone, even when you could get back at them. Long ago, the prophet Jonah saw how God's mercy can change lives. He also learned that we can be merciful, too, though it's not always easy.

Lesson 5: Strange Sights

People didn't want to listen to Amos much. Life was good, they had what they needed, what was the big deal? Amos, however, could see that people were headed the wrong way. This week, we'll find out why following God is important, however great life is!

Lesson 6: Wrong Turn

Hosea probably understood how amazing God's love is more than most of us do. God asked Hosea to do some difficult things and love some difficult people. This week, we'll see why loving someone, even when they're wrong, is one way we can change the world.

Lesson 7: Culture Shock

It's not always fun to stand out. The prophet Micah had to choose between doing what God said was right or doing the wrong things the people around him were doing. This week, we'll see how we can stand for what's right, like Micah did.

Lesson 8: Group Photo

Have you ever been hurt by a friend? Obadiah knows that feeling, too. He and the rest of the land of Israel were attacked, not just by an enemy but by their neighbors, people that were supposed to be

their allies. Obadiah has a message for those people, that can help us see how to be good friends, even today.

Lesson 9: Breakdown

Where are you, God? Nahum lived in a time when a lot of people were hurting and wondering if God was really there for them. This week, we'll find out where God is when we feel hurt and see how we can keep following him through the toughest times in life.

Lesson 10: Repairs Needed

Have you ever forgotten something important? In the days of Zephaniah and Huldah, God's people wanted to follow Him, but had almost forgotten how! We'll see how they were reminded and find out why following God is something every one of us should choose today.

Lesson 11: Bumpy Roads

Hearing "God's got a plan," sounds encouraging, but for Habakkuk, it was kind of scary. Bad things were happening, and God told Habakkuk that He wouldn't stop them. What do we do when we're following God, and bad things happen anyway? We'll talk about that, this week!

Lesson 12: Landmark

Is there something you've been putting off? In this week's story, God's people had returned to their homes, but weren't too worried about following God. They wanted to put it off, just a little longer. Haggai's message was simple: that will never work. Putting off following God is something none of us can afford to do.

Lesson 13: Interpreter Needed

In Zechariah's time, God's people were doing a lot of good things, but they had been forgetting one of the most important things God told them to do. We'll find out what that was, and how we can follow God in the same way today!

Lesson 14: A Great View

What's ahead? It might be a new school year, a new home, new friends, or just new challenges. Whatever it is, God is with you! This week, we'll meet with the prophet Malachi, and he'll remind us that wherever we are, we can be faithful to God.

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Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 8: Group Photo

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Opening Song and Welcome (1:00)	
Intro Video (Media) (1:00)	
Activity (Stage Game/QOTD) (10:00)	
Worship (8:00)	0:00 – 20:00
Big Question (Media) (2:00)	
Group Time (10:00)	
Get Moving Challenge (2:00)	
Bible Story (Media) (4:00)	20:00 – 38:00
Application (4:00)	
Fun Activity (Media) (5:00)	
Road Trip Rewind (10:00)	
Challenge (Media) (2:00)	
Wrap Up (1:00)	38:00 - 60:00



Video Cue



Slide Cue



Audio Cue



Tech Notes

Opening Song and Welcome

1:00



(Roll when directed) Elevate Opener

Welcome everyone, let's get started! Come on down to the front and find a place to sit.



(Auto advance) Elevate Slide and Underscore

Hey, everyone! My name is _____. We have so much in store for today. Coming up are some games, an awesome show, music, and some fantastic stories.



Series Title Slide: Road Trip and clear audio

This whole summer, we're in a series called "Road Trip." We're going on a journey through time and around the world to learn more about God. We'll hear the stories of some people who knew God super well and learn how He changed their lives.

Intro Video

1:00

Let's see what Josh and Beka, our Road Trip hosts, have planned for today.



Summer Media- Intro Video (1:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Road Trip

Every day, we're probably surrounded by other people. At home, outside, wherever we are, we'll have to deal with other people. Our next game is all about figuring out what other people are saying and doing. Let's give it a try!

Activity

10:00



Game Title Slide: “Reverse Charades”

Charades is a game that’s all about watching what others are doing. Usually, one person acts like something, and tries to get everyone else to guess what it is. This is reverse charades, though, which means I’m going to have two people come up on stage, and everyone still in the audience get to be the actors!

Do This: Choose two kids to come up on stage. Set up a whiteboard and make sure you have a dry erase marker.

Know This: You can make this a boys vs. girls game if it fits your space. Simply call up one boy and one girl to be the guessers, then write “boys” and “girls” on the whiteboard.

I’m going to show the audience a picture, then they’ll act it out for you two up here. If you are the first one to guess what they are acting like, you get a thousand points! Audience, you can act, but you can’t make any noises. Are you ready?

Do This: For each picture, have the guessers close their eyes, or face the wall if necessary.



Astronaut image and fun game music!

Get ready to act that out!



Game Title Slide: “Reverse Charades”

Alright, start acting, everyone!

Do This: Allow the guessers to watch and guess. The first one to get it right gets 1000 points. Record their points on the whiteboard. If they don’t get it in a long time, feel free to move forward without giving points for that round.

Do This: Repeat this process for the following images.

Good job! Guessers close your eyes again, and let’s check out our next picture.



Rhinoceros image

Alright, you can go to the next slide, everyone ready to act like that?



Game Title Slide: "Reverse Charades"

Let's go!

Do This: Allow the audience to act.

Good job! Guessers close your eyes again, and let's check out our next picture.



Ballerina image

Alright, you can go to the next slide, everyone ready to act like that?



Game Title Slide: "Reverse Charades"

Let's go!

Do This: Allow the audience to act.

Good job! Guessers close your eyes again, and let's check out our next picture.



Swimmer image

Alright, you can go to the next slide, everyone ready to act like that?



Game Title Slide: "Reverse Charades"

Let's go!

Do This: Allow the audience to act.

Good job! Guessers close your eyes again, and let's check out our next picture.



Train image

Alright, you can go to the next slide, everyone ready to act like that?



Game Title Slide: "Reverse Charades"

Let's go!

Do This: Allow the audience to act.

Good job! Guessers close your eyes again, and let's check out our next picture.



Knight image

Alright, you can go to the next slide, everyone ready to act like that?



Game Title Slide: "Reverse Charades"

Let's go!

Do This: Allow the audience to act.

Good job! We have one more to go, so this last one is super tough. Guessers close your eyes again, and let's check out our next picture.



Taco image

Alright, you can go to the next slide, everyone ready to act like that?



Game Title Slide: "Reverse Charades"

Let's go!

Do This: Allow the audience to act.

Great job everyone! Acting like a taco is tough.



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It looks like the _____ team won! Thank you, guessers, you both did a great job. You can each grab some candy on your way down, while we all get ready for our question of the day!

Do This: Give each of the guessers a piece of candy out of the candy bin.



QOTD Video



(Auto-Advance) QOTD Slide: What's something that made you happy this week?

What's something that made you happy this week? Turn to someone next to you and talk about that!

Worship

8:00



Worship Slide

It's fun to talk about things that make us happy. When we feel happy, we usually look happy, too. When we feel sad, we usually look sad, and it's the same however we feel: angry, lonely, afraid, or anything else. However we're feeling, God cares about us. This song reminds us that God's love for us is amazing, it's even higher than the sky.



Song #1: Higher than the Sky



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

We learned a new song last weekend, called "Look at Me." Let's keep learning it together.



Song #2: Look at Me



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

God, thank you for loving us. Help us to see and care about how others are feeling. Amen.

Big Question

2:00

Josh and Beka have a giant problem for us to solve, a GPS! Let's find out what it is.



Summer Media: Big Question (2:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Road Trip

I've definitely had that problem, too. How do I know what other people are feeling? Why should I even care? That's what you'll be talking about in group time.

Group Time

10:00

Know This: Group time during the summer may either be done in groups, or if there are not enough leaders to break into groups, you may continue with this script as a large group.

Do This: If you are breaking into groups, direct the kids to where their group is meeting, using their grade's flag as a guide. Skip this section of the script. After ten minutes, continue with the "Get Moving Challenge" part of this Large Group script.

I've got an activity for you called "Face Off."



Game Title Slide: Face Off

For this activity, I'll need some volunteers.

Do This: Select six volunteers. It's probably best to choose older kids.

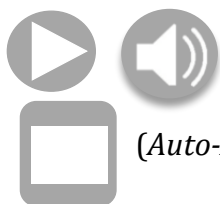
Each of you is going to get a card with an emotion, or feeling, on it. Your job is to get everyone else to guess what that emotion is, but you can only show us with your face. Some of these might be easy, and some might be trickier. We'll have to find out! Let's get our first face actor up here.

Do This: Bring one kid who has volunteered up and have them get ready.

Know This: The emotions the kids will get are: Grumpy, Happy, Thoughtful, Courageous, Lonely, and Sad.

Do This: Optional- before the kids who are acting sit down, you could give them a piece of candy from the Memory Verse supply for participating.

You'll have twenty seconds to get someone to guess what emotion you've got. Remember, you can only move your face. Ready? Go!



20 Second Countdown and fun game music!

(Auto-Advance) Game Title Slide: Face Off

What was your emotion?

Do This: Allow the kid to answer.

Great job! You can sit back down. Alright, let's keep moving!

Do This: Bring one kid who has volunteered up and have them get ready.

Ready? Go!



20 Second Countdown and fun game music!

(Auto-Advance) Game Title Slide: Face Off

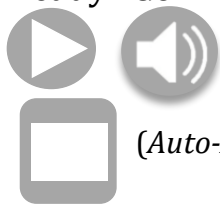
What was your emotion?

Do This: Allow the kid to answer.

Great job! You can sit back down. Let's go to our next actor!

Do This: Bring one kid who has volunteered up and have them get ready.

Ready? Go!



20 Second Countdown and fun game music!

(Auto-Advance) Game Title Slide: Face Off

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Great job! You can sit back down. Alright, let's keep moving!

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Ready? Go!



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Ready? Go!



20 Second Countdown and fun game music!



(Auto-Advance) Game Title Slide: Face Off

What was your emotion?

Do This: Allow the kid to answer.

Great job! You can sit back down. Alright, let's go to our last actor!

Do This: Bring one kid who has volunteered up and have them get ready.

Ready? Go!



20 Second Countdown and fun game music!



(Auto-Advance) Game Title Slide: Face Off

What was your emotion?

Do This: Allow the kid to answer.

Great job! You can sit back down.



Series Title Slide: Road Trip

There are lots of ways we can tell how someone is feeling. Their face is a part of it, but how people sound when they talk, how they act, all of those things can tell us about what emotions they are feeling. The other part of our big question was, should we care about how people are feeling? Well, one of the Bible writers, a guy named Paul, wrote about that.



Philippians 2:4- None of you should look out just for your own good. Each of you should also look out for the good of others.

Do This: Read the verse from the screen.

Paul is saying that taking the time to care for others is part of living the way God made us to. Sometimes that's easy, and sometimes it isn't. When one of our friends is feeling sad, we probably care a lot about them, and want to help. Other times, like if someone we don't like is feeling sad, we don't usually want to care as much. Caring isn't just a feeling, though. It's a choice. You can choose to care about someone, even if you don't like them very much.

I've got a question for you. What would you like someone to do if you were feeling sad?



What would you like someone to do if you were feeling sad?

Turn to someone near you and talk about that for a moment.

Do This: Allow kids to talk for about thirty seconds.

Awesome. Let's think about another question.



What would you like someone to do if you were feeling lonely?

What would you like someone to do if you were feeling lonely? Go ahead and talk about that, too.

Do This: Allow kids to talk for about thirty seconds.

I bet just about all of us wish that someone would do something. Maybe we'd want someone to be our friend, to ask what was wrong, to listen to us, or include us in their friend group. The awesome thing is, all of you have the power to do that for someone else, too. You can be a friend, listen, include someone, and ask how they are doing. You can care about them, especially if you can tell they're feeling sad, lonely, or hurt.



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Get Moving Challenge

2:00

We're going to hear a story about someone who did that in a couple minutes, but first, let's get up and moving with a challenge!



Challenge Wheel Video



(Auto-Advance) Challenge Wheel Slide: Find something yellow and put your hand on it!

Find something yellow and put your hand on it! The only rule is, it can't be something you or someone else is wearing. You'll have twenty seconds. Ready, go!



20 Second countdown and fun game music!



(Auto-Advance) Series Title Slide: Road Trip and clear audio

Great job everyone. Quick, find a place to sit, because coming up we've got a great story coming up from Josh and Beka.

Bible Story

4:00



Media: Bible Story (4:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Road Trip

I know I've felt like Obadiah did. Maybe you have, too.

Application

4:00

It feels awful to be hurt by a friend. The people of Edom were supposed to be allies to Obadiah's people in Israel, but they chose not to care when bad things happened to Israel. They laughed, made fun of them, and felt happy when Israel was in trouble. We don't want to be that way.



Big Idea Slide: We can care about how others are feeling.

Instead, we can care about how others are feeling. That doesn't mean we have to be best friends with everyone, we can care about them whether they have been our friend for years, or we just met them today, or even if they're not someone we like.



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What does caring about others look like? Well, there are two ways every one of us can care for others. The first is through our words. Have you ever looked at how someone is feeling when you talk to them, or about them? Have you ever said something and seen someone look hurt?



Kid with a hurt expression

If you have noticed, you probably realized how they felt. Your words changed their life for that moment. We can probably all think of words that make us and others feel that way. That's not all words can do, though. Have you ever said something and saw someone just light up?



Kid with a happy expression

When we encourage others, and say good things about them, that changes their lives, too. Every time you talk about someone, you're making a difference in their lives. Is it a good difference, or a bad one? Remember that verse we read in group time?



Philippians 2:4- None of you should look out just for your own good. Each of you should also look out for the good of others.

Do This: Read the verse from the screen.

Look out for the good of others! God challenges all of us to care about others with our words. That's not all, though. If we say one thing, and do something completely different, will what we say matter much? No, we also have to care through what we do.



1. Care with our words.
2. Care with our actions.

We can care about others with our actions. You can choose to include someone who others don't usually hang out with. You can choose to listen to someone when they just want to talk. You can choose to let go of something you and your brother or sister have been arguing about. You can say that you care with your words, and you can show that you care through the things you do.



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You don't have to wait, either. You can show someone you care today. You can care about your brothers, sisters, friends, or parents. Adults need people to care about them, too. Next, our hosts are going to have some fun, so let's tune back in to Road Trip with Josh and Beka.

Fun Activity

5:00



Summer Media: Fun Activity (5:00)



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Road Trip

That was so fun to watch. There has been so much going on, I can hardly remember it all! Let's review with a Road Trip Rewind!

Road Trip Rewind

10:00



"Road Trip Rewind" Slide

This is a time for us to review what has happened today. Today was about watching and caring about the way others are feeling, so for this review, I'm going to give you a clue, and you'll have to fill in the blanks. The first person to answer correctly will get a piece of candy!

Know This: If your room's "confidence screen" makes kids able to see the answer on the next slide, insert a "Road Trip Rewind" slide in-between each of the questions and their answers, so kids can't look ahead.

Do This: Give each kid who answers a question correctly a piece of candy from the candy bin.

Let's go to our first question.



"We learned that we can care about others with our _____ and _____."
And fun game music!

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answers are "Words" and "Actions." You may have different kids answer for each blank.

Great job! Yes, we can care about others with our words, and with our actions. Let's try another one!



In "Road Trip with Josh and Beka" we heard a Bible story about _____.

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answer is "Obadiah."

The answer is "Obadiah! Let's keep on moving.



Another word for "feelings" is _____.

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answer we're looking for is "emotions."

Good job! Yes, another word for feelings is "emotions." We've got a few more questions to go.



Obadiah wrote how Israel was hurt by their allies, a country named _____.

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answer we're looking for is "Edom."

That country was named "Edom." Let's go to our next question!



From Obadiah, we learned that we can _____ about how others are _____.

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answers are "care" and "feeling."

We learned that we can care about how others are feeling. Good job! Just two questions left.



What was something the hosts had to smell in their game?

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answers we're looking for are socks, cheese, sardines, car air fresheners, cat food, and a flower.

Great! They had to smell socks, cheese, sardines, an air freshener, cat food, and a flower. Now, to our last question!



The verse we read in Philippians says- "None of you should look out just for _____."

Do This: Read the question from the screen. Allow kids to answer.

Know This: The answer we're looking for is "Your own good."

Good job! The verse says "None of you should look out just for your own good." That verse is encouraging us to care about others!

Good job everyone, you remember a ton. There's one more thing for us to remember, our challenge for the week! To tell us what it is, let's go back to Josh and Beka on their own adventure.

Challenge

2:00



Summer Media: Challenge (2:00)



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Just asking a question can make a huge difference to someone who is feeling sad or lonely.

Wrap Up

1:00

Don't forget to follow along in your Road Trip book this week, to learn more about Obadiah, and find some great activities to do at home.

Do This: Show kids the activity book.

Before we finish, let's take a moment to talk to God!

God, thank you for loving us. Help us to really care about the people around us. Amen.

I've had a great time hanging out with all of you today, I hope to see you again next week!



Elevate Slide



Start music videos