

# ROAD TRIP





# Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: “Good, Better, Best” cards.

## 1. Discussion Questions

- Has something ever happened that you totally didn’t expect? What was it?
- What are some things you might talk to God about?
- Does God always do what we want Him to? (No) Why do you think that is?

## 2. Hands-On Option

**Look Up and Read:** Romans 8:28- This verse tells us that God works for the good of those who love Him.

**Say This:** It can be confusing when God doesn’t answer us the way we expect. Have you ever felt like that? Maybe you decided to follow Jesus, and things were amazing, but something went wrong, and you’re wondering if God is there for you. So why doesn’t God always answer like we want or expect Him to? I can’t tell you exactly why God does everything He does, but I have an idea. Let’s try an activity called “Good, Better, Best.”

**Do This:** Show kids each of the “Good, Better, Best” cards, and read the story on each one. Discuss the options provided on each card and decide which one you think is best.

**The Point:** In those stories, the best solutions were the ones that took the most work and time. Could it be that sometimes we want something good, but God wants what’s best for us? We want to be the best at soccer, but God wants us to grow by working and practicing. We want to pass a test, but God wants us to learn and get better by studying. When we trust God, and follow Him, we may not get everything we want, but God will always give us what we need.

## 3. 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. If they’ve mentioned things that would be good to talk to God about, you can talk about them in your prayer.