

# **Large Group**

## Technicolor

## Series at a Glance for Elevate

#### **About this Series:**

The story of Jesus changes everything. If life is a work of art, Jesus has the power to turn it into something beautiful, like switching from black and white to full technicolor.

### **Key Verse**:

Ephesians 2:10- We are God's creation. He created us to belong to Christ Jesus. Now we can do good works. Long ago God prepared these works for us to do.

## **Weekly Overview:**

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Lesson:	Title:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: April 11/12	The Master Artist Easter Story- Matt. 27-28	Jesus changed the world.
Lesson 2: April 18/19	The Canvas Pentecost- Acts 2	God is working through community.
Lesson 3: April 25/26	Guest Artist Saul's Conversion- Acts 9	God's grace changes lives.
Lesson 4: May 2/3	Every Hue Cornelius Believes- Acts 10	God's love is for everyone.
Lesson 5: May 9/10	Finding Your Style Lydia's Hospitality- Acts 16	God has given me something to offer.
Lesson 6: May 16/17	Artist's Block Paul goes to Rome- Acts 27	I can do hard things with God by my side.
Lesson 7: May 23/24	On Display Paul's Letters	My whole story matters.

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#### **Lesson 1: The Master Artist**

On Easter, we celebrate the most amazing thing the world has ever seen. Jesus, God's Son, died and came back to life! Since that day, the world has never been the same. This week, we'll celebrate Easter and find out why what Jesus did changed everything, for everyone.

#### **Lesson 2: The Canvas**

Jesus changed everything, but only a few people knew about it. Fortunately, God had a plan to share Jesus' story with the whole world. To make that plan happen, Jesus' followers started the church. Find out how the church began, and why you're an important part of it, this week!

#### **Lesson 3: Guest Artist**

When God needed someone to share Jesus' story to the world, he chose a man named Saul. Most of Jesus' followers were afraid of Saul, and probably thought he would never change. God saw something amazing in Saul, though, and gave him a second chance.

#### **Lesson 4: Every Hue**

Who can follow God? Is Jesus' story only for certain people, or is it for everyone? This week, we'll find out how Peter discovered God's love really is for everyone.

### **Lesson 5: Finding Your Style**

Sharing Jesus' story doesn't always mean talking in front of big groups of people. This week, we'll meet a woman named Lydia, who shared God's love by welcoming and serving others.

#### Lesson 6: Artist's Block

Sometimes following God feels like the greatest thing ever, but at other times it can feel extremely difficult. After being captured, sent away from his home, and then shipwrecked, Paul could have felt like giving up. What he did instead was a great example of how God can help us do tough things.

### **Lesson 7: On Display**

If you're part of God's amazing work of art, people are going to take notice! This week, we'll hear how Paul shared Jesus' story all over the world and see how our stories can make a difference today.

## Technicolor Lesson Outline for Elevate

## **Lesson 2: The Canvas**

Lesson Segment	<b>Total Running Time</b>
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



## Opening Song and Welcome

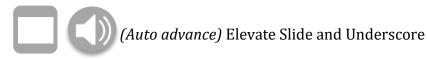
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(Roll when directed) Elevate Opener

**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.



My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I'm so excited to be here with all of you! We've got some great things coming up. We'll get to sing, hear some great stories, and play some fun games, too.

**Know This**: It's important to say the following paragraph roughly word-for-word. We are using this "respect" language intentionally to give kids clear expectations for how to behave while they are in Elevate. We ask that you don't add to or take away from this language.

Elevate is an awesome place where we get to have fun and learn about God. It's also a place where we show respect. We respect the leaders in here by listening and following their instructions. We respect others by being kind and keeping our hands to ourselves. And we respect the room by being safe, and not damaging anything. Showing respect like that helps us all have an awesome time.

Team Time 14:00



Series Title Slide: Technicolor and clear audio

We're in a series called "Technicolor." God is making something amazing happen in our world, like an incredible work of art. Every one of us gets to be part of that! In this series, we're looking at how God started changing our world, and how God can turn each of our lives into a masterpiece.

Let's get started with a game called "Group Pictionary."  Game Title Slide: "Group Pictionary"
Your group leader is going to choose three people and give each of them part of a drawing. Their job is to draw your part of the drawing, while the other two are drawing their part. If you're watching, you have to guess what they are drawing, just like Pictionary! Here's an example.  Do This: Ahead of time, have two volunteers ready to help you out. Give each of them one-third of the example picture. Take the other third yourself. Give each of them a marker. Make sure a piece of paper is set up on stage ahead of time.
We're going to try to draw a picture. See if you can guess what we're drawing!  Do This: Try to draw your thirds of the image, all at the same time. Allow the kids to guess, but don't put too much time into this.
Got it? The picture is supposed to be of an airplane, but it's tough when you can't draw the whole thing. Now it's your turn! You can move to the flag with your grade on it to join your group. I'll see you in a couple minutes.
Fun background music!
Game Title Slide: "Group Pictionary" and clear audio
That was fun to watch! Sometimes, we all have to work with others. We call the other people we live near, talk with, and see all the time our "community." Let's keep getting to know each other with a question of the day!
Question of the Day Video
(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: If you painted a masterpiece, what would it be a picture of?

If you painted a masterpiece, a beautiful piece of art, what would it be a picture of? Go ahead and talk about that with a couple people near you!

Do This: Allow kids to talk for about 30 secon Series Title Slide: Technicolor	ds.
That's awesome to hear about, you all would	make fantastic artists.
Media: Part 1	6:00
Next, we get to check in with Beka and The So week!  The Source: Part 1 (5:00)	urce team, to see what they're doing this
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What do you think is going to happen? You'll g for your group's flag and meet your group I minutes!	9 .
Group Time	15:00
15:00 Group Time Countdown	
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**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

You can come back to the middle and find a spot 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 Beka has a story for us about how the very first church was started.

The Source: Part 2 (9:00)

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Every one of us can be part of the church, this amazing community that God is building.

## Application 5:00

Here's what I want you to remember today.

God is working through community.

God is working through community. Remember, community means a group of people who have some things in common. God has chosen the church, a very special community of people who follow Jesus, to change the world. That means everyone who follows Jesus is part of the church. Last week, we talked about what Jesus did for us, and how important it is to follow him. If you're feeling ready to make that decision today, that is amazing! Any of the leaders in here would love to talk to you about that.

Sometimes, though, being in church can be difficult. We don't always get along with everyone. Even in church, someone might hurt our feelings, argue with us, or say we're wrong. Sometimes, it's just tough to get to church, or there's something else we want to be doing. I get all of that. But I want you to know church is still so important, even when it's difficult.

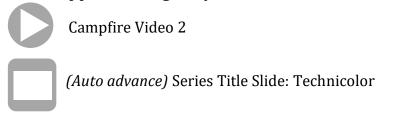
Here's an example.



**Do This**: Talk while the video is going. It will continue until you move to the next clip.

You've probably seen a campfire before. To build a fire, you need tiny pieces of wood, small sticks, and finally big logs or branches. When those sticks are all together, they make a big, warm fire. That's kind of like how the church community works. When people are all together, worshipping God, learning about him, and helping each other, we are a bright, shining light to the whole world, showing them who God is.

What happens, though, if you take a branch out of the fire?



Did you see what happened? The branch burned out right away. It couldn't carry the light and heat of the fire all by itself, it needed to be with the other branches to do that.

The church works the same way. If we stop going to church, don't learn about God, don't sing about him, and don't spend time with other people who believe in him, it makes it very difficult to keep on following him. It's like the "fire" and excitement we have starts going out.

To keep on getting to know God better and loving him more, we have to keep on being part of the church! The good news is, you're already here! What we're doing today, from learning about God, talking with our groups, and even singing, like we'll do in a minute, all help us know God and show others who he is.

There's even more you can do, though! If you want to volunteer and serve right here in our church, talk to our kids pastor, and your parents or adults about ways you can get involved. Even at home, you can keep on learning about God and talking about him with your families and friends. That's like taking this community of church with you wherever you go!

All together, we can be a shining light, showing the world how amazing God is.



Worship 8:00

Next we're going to worship and sing to God. If you've been thinking that you want to decide to follow Jesus, though, and haven't made that decision before, I or any of the other volunteers in here would love to talk with you and tell you more about how to make that amazing decision. You can talk to any of us about that today.

Right now, let's all stand and sing about our amazing God!



Song #1: Brighter



(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

Let's keep on singing and moving with another fun song!



Song #2: Jump



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Singing with all of you is awesome. You can take a seat, and let's take a moment to talk to God.

God, we love you. Thank you for giving us the church. Help us to be part of this community. Amen.

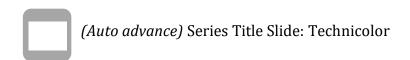
Challenge

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Let's check in with Beka one more time, she has a challenge for us this week.



Challenge Video (1:00)



There are so many ways you can be part of the church and make it even better!

Wrap-Up 1:00

We have one other thing for you to grab when you leave, if you don't have one yet. **Do This**: Show kids the Family Connection Card

This is our family connection card! It can help you remember what we're learning this series and has some questions to think about and activities for you to do at home.

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



