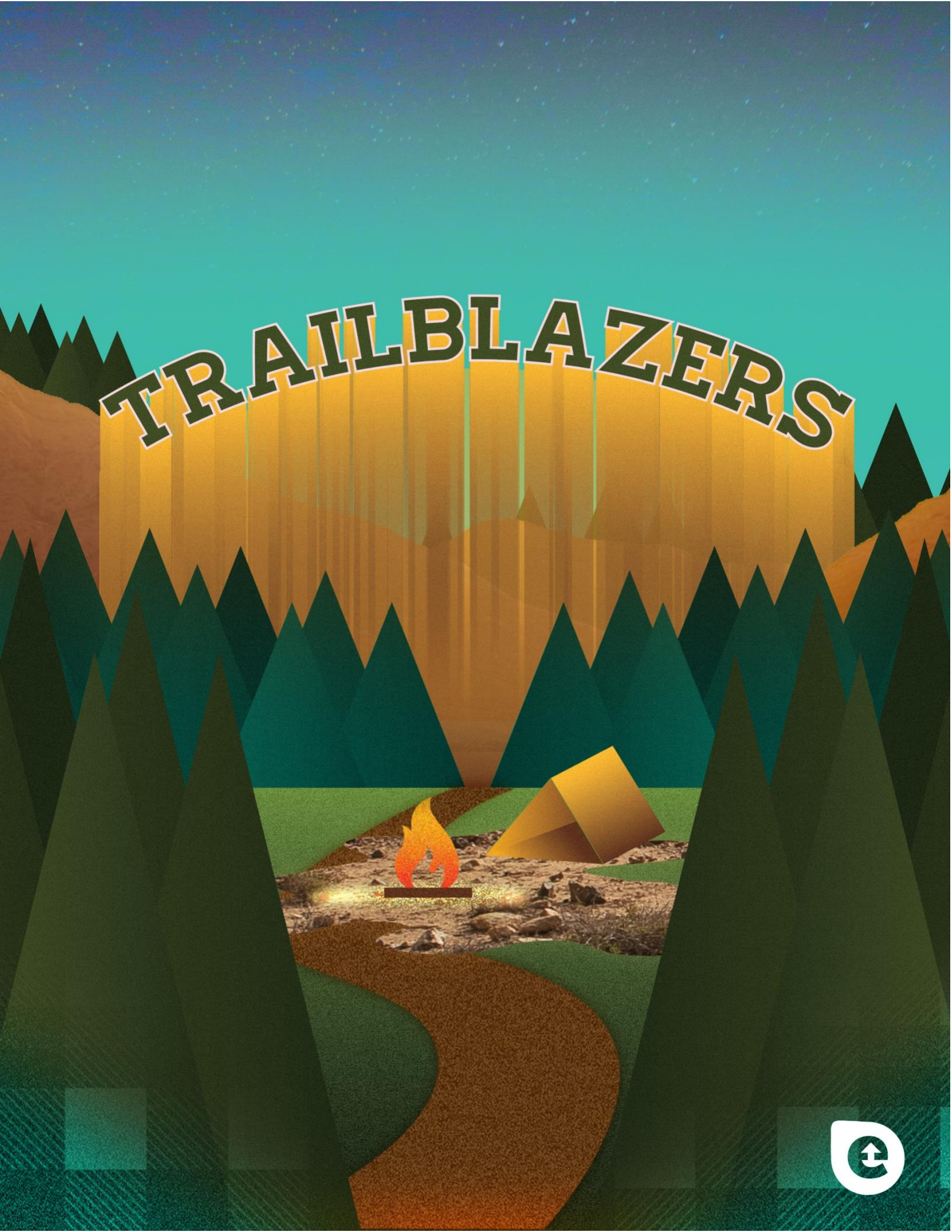
TRAILBLAZERS

Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Juggling balls

5. Getting Started

Ask: What's something new you've learned or tried this summer?

6. Discussion Questions

- Talk about a time where you earned a reward for doing something good.

7. Hands-On Option

Look Up and Read: Proverbs 9:9. This verse is about how learning is a part of wisdom.

Say This: Notice what a wise person does when someone tries to teach them. They learn. They become wiser. That's because a wise person knows they can always learn, change, and grow. Sometimes, people think that some people are just "smart," or some people are just "athletic," and we can't change who we are. When someone says "I'm just not good at math," or "I can't do that," they are saying they can't learn, and they can't change. The problem is, that's just not true. Like the wise person in that verse knows, we can always learn and grow.

Do This: Try to juggle. Let the kids try, too! If you can, great! If not, that's ok.

Discuss: How does someone learn to juggle? (Practicing!) Can you think of anything else you have to practice?

Discuss: When you're practicing, do you ever get it totally right the first time? (Not usually).

The Point: God made us to learn by practicing, and even by failing. The only way we'll never fail is if we never try. When we make mistakes or come up short, we might feel like quitting, but we can choose to learn and try again. Whatever it is we're struggling with, from juggling, to math, to sports, to music, we can learn and grow from it.

8. Wrap-Up and Prayer

Ask: What's something you're excited about right now? What's something you would like God's help on?
Do This: Pray with the kids.