

Large Group

What Did Jesus Do?

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

We say that we follow Jesus with our whole lives, but what does that actually mean? In this series, we are asking the question "What did Jesus do?" We'll see what Jesus' daily life looked like and discover how each of us can live like he did.

Key Verse:

John 13:34- "I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you."

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	What:	
Lesson 1: January 4/5	Jesus was baptized Matthew 3:13-17	I can show others I follow Jesus.
Lesson 2: January 11/12	Jesus prayed Matthew 6:9-13	I can talk to God anytime.
Lesson 3: January 18/19	Jesus served others Mark 3:1-5	I can make a difference by serving.
Lesson 4: January 25/26	Jesus honored others John 1:35-51	I can use my words to build others up.
Lesson 5: February 1/2	Jesus spent time with God Luke 5:16, Mark 1:35-38	I can spend time with God.
Lesson 6: February 8/9	Jesus followed God's plan. Luke 22:39-42	I can put my faith in God.
Lesson 7: * February 15/16	Jesus gave his life for me John 18-21	I can make Jesus the leader of my life.

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Lesson 1: Jesus was baptized

If getting baptized shows that we want to follow Jesus with our whole life, why did Jesus get baptized, too? We'll find out why Jesus was baptized, and how following his example can change our lives.

Lesson 2: Jesus prayed

One of the questions people asked Jesus was "How do we talk to God?" When can we talk to Him? Can we really tell Him anything? This week, we'll learn about how Jesus talked to God, and what he taught his followers about prayer.

Lesson 3: Jesus served others

As God's Son, many people thought Jesus would take control, tell people what to do, and fix everything they thought was wrong. What Jesus actually did was much different. This week, we'll see why the greatest leader of all time chose to serve others instead of taking control.

Lesson 4: Jesus honored others

Have you seen a bulldozer recently? Break it down, and a bulldozer does two things: build and destroy. It's up to the driver what the powerful tool does. The same thing is true of our words. This week, we'll see how Jesus' words changed lives, and learn how ours can, too.

Lesson 5: Jesus spent time with God

Life could be busy for Jesus. Thousands of people would follow him for days at a time, just to hear him teach. Sometimes, though, Jesus was nowhere to be found. He would spend time alone with God, even when many people were looking for Him. Why? We'll find out this week!

Lesson 6: Jesus followed God's plan

Jesus talked often about "faith," or placing your belief and hope in someone or something. We all choose who or what to put our faith in every day. This week, we'll see why God is the only one we can always put our faith in.

Lesson 7: Jesus gave his life for me

Jesus did so many amazing things, but the greatest of all was something he did for every person in the world. This week, we'll hear why Jesus gave his life for you, and how following him can change your life, too.

What Did Jesus Do? Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 2: Jesus Prayed

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
Video Cue Slide Cue Audio Cue	Tech Notes

Opening Song and Welcome

(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 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: What Did Jesus Do? and clear audio

Have you ever heard someone ask: "What would Jesus do"? People sometimes ask that question when they're wondering what the right choice to make is. The good news is, we don't have to wonder what Jesus would do, because he already did it. That's why

we're in a series called "What Did Jesus Do?" We're looking at things that Jesus, God's Son, actually did while he lived here on earth, and we'll discover how following his example can change our lives.

Next up, we've got a game to play together called "Mix-tionary."



Game Title Slide: Mix-tionary

This game is a little like Pictionary, because there is drawing involved, but it's a little mixed up. Instead of watching someone draw, you'll all be drawing something, and trying to guess what it is while you draw it. Your group leader will read some instructions for drawing, while everyone in your group draws and guesses.

You can move to your group flag to get started!

Do This: Make sure each group has paper, drawing utensils, and an instruction sheet.

Fun background music!

Do This: Allow the groups to play for 5-8 minutes, or until they seem to be finishing up.

Game Title Slide: "Mix-tionary" and clear audio

Great job everyone! That was an unusual challenge. It reminds me that sometimes it can be hard to understand other people. They tell us one thing, but we hear something different. Communicating can be difficult with other people, but what about with God? We'll get to talk more about that question, but next we have another question to talk about: our question of the day!



Question of the Day Video

(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: What's a question you'd like to ask God?

What's a question you'd like to ask God? It could be about anything; He knows the answer. Go ahead and talk about that with someone near you!

Do This: Talk with a couple of the kids about their answers.

Great questions. God cares so much about all of your questions, because he cares about you!

Media: Part 1

6:00

Next, we get to check in with Rue and The Source team, to see what they're doing this week.

The Source: Part 1 (5:00)

(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: What Did Jesus Do?

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: What Did Jesus Do?

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

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 Rue has a story for us about a time when Jesus' followers asked him an important question.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)

(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: What Did Jesus Do?

Talking to God is a super important part of following him.

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5:00

Here's what I want you to remember today.

We can talk to God anytime.

We can talk to God anytime. He loves and cares about you and will always listen to you. Like Rue said, God always answers our prayers, but doesn't always answer in the way we expect him to. Why do you think that is?

There are some great stories in the Bible about real people who talked to God, and how he answered them. One of those people was named Habakkuk (Hab-back-uk). Habakkuk asked God to help him when he was afraid. God didn't take away the thing Habakkuk was afraid of, but instead, said he would be with Habakkuk no matter what, and asked Habakkuk to trust him. Here's what Habakkuk said.

Habakkuk 3:17-18- "The fields might not produce any food. But I will still be glad because of what the Lord has done. God my Savior fills me with joy."

Do This: Read the verse from the screen.

Habakkuk chose to trust God, even if things got really bad. He was saying that even without enough to eat, he believed God was still there for him, and listening to him. He listens to you, too. Sometimes, he doesn't change what we're going through, he just asks us to trust him, no matter what.

Sometimes, God answers our prayers, but in ways we don't expect, like he did for someone named Daniel.



Series Title Slide: What Did Jesus Do?

Daniel lived in a time when it was dangerous to follow God. In fact, the king had said anyone who prayed would be thrown into a pit with lions. Daniel kept on praying, though. He probably asked God for protection, but Daniel was caught. He was taken to the lions' den, and thrown in. That doesn't feel much like an answer to prayer, but God was still with Daniel. In fact, God kept the lions' mouths shut, and Daniel was totally safe. Here's the amazing thing. God could have saved Daniel before he was thrown into the lions' den, but waiting showed how amazingly powerful God is. We remember that story thousands of years later because even as things got worse and worse, Daniel kept trusting God.

Sometimes, God's answer for us is to wait, and keep on trusting him, even when life is difficult. God was with Daniel, whether he was safe at home, or in a den filled with lions. God is with you everywhere you go, too, and will always listen to you.

God listens to you and cares about you, no matter what. Talking to God helps us remember that he is with us, and can help us be peaceful, no matter what is going on in our lives.

Worship Slide

Worship

8:00

God loves us so much, it's amazing. Now we get to do some singing! Let's stand up and sing about how great God is.

Song #1: Heartbeat

(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

Know This: The next song is still new, many kids won't have sung it. Make sure to introduce it and get kids excited to sing it!

Last week, we sang a new song for the first time. It was written by musicians from our church and is one of the songs the adults sing all the time in church, but they made it even more amazing just for us. Let's learn this song together! It's called "By Your Love."



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: What Did Jesus Do?

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

God, thank you for always listening to us. Help us to trust you, wherever we are, and whatever is going on. In Jesus' name, amen.

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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: What Did Jesus Do?

Talking to God is one of the best habits we can have. Take that challenge and find a time to talk to Him each day this week!

Wrap-Up

1:00

We have one other thing for you to grab when you leave.

Do This: Show kids the window cling for the week.

This can help you remember what we're learning this week and has some questions and activities for you to do at home. You can peel it off and stick it to a mirror or

window! Try putting it somewhere you'll see it, and try the ideas on here for some great ways to pray this week.

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

Elevate Slide



Start free time music videos