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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 4: Jesus honored others

Total Running Time
0:00 - 15:00
15:00 - 45:00
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45:00 - 60:00



Opening Song and Welcome

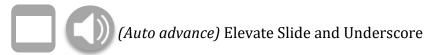
1:00



(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 excited to get started, and that you're all here! Come on up and find a place to sit.

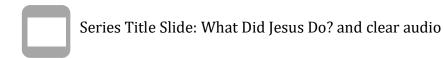


My name is _____, and I'm super glad to be here with all of you. We've got some great stuff coming up. We'll get to sing, hear some great stories, and play some fun games, too.

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



Sometimes, people ask the question "What Would Jesus Do?" You might have even seen people wearing things that say that question like: "WWJD." The thing is, we don't have

to wonder what Jesus would do, we can read about what he already did in the Bible! That's why this series is called "What Did Jesus Do?" We're looking at things that Jesus, God's Son, actually did while he lived here on earth.

Next up, we've got a game to play together called "The Perfect Word."
Game Title Slide: "The Perfect Word."
In this game, your group leader is going to read a strange or uncommon word, and a few definitions. Then, you'll have to guess which definition is correct. This game is al
about how well you can pay attention and listen closely to your group leader's
instructions. You can meet them by the flag with your grade on it now! Do This : Make sure each group has a set of A B C cards and a list of words.
Know This : Leaders will read a word and a set of definitions. Kids will pick which definition they think is correct by standing by that letter.
Fun background music!
Do This : Allow groups to play for 6 minutes or so, then call them back to the middle.
Alright everyone, you can come back to the middle and find a place to sit! It's fun to learn about strange and random words!
Game Title Slide: "The Perfect Word" and clear audio
Our words can do so many things. Today, we'll be talking about how powerful words can be, but before we get to that, here are a few more words to look at. It's our question of the day!
Question of the Day Video
(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: What's a compliment someone has said to you?

What's a compliment someone has said to you? Think of something someone said that made you feel good. Turn to someone next to you and share your answers!

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

Great ideas! Our words can really make a difference, just like all of those compliments did for us.

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 the way that God's Son Jesus used his words.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)



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

The words we use are so important.

Application

5:00

Here's one super important thing to remember from today.



We can use our words to build others up.

We can use our words to build others up. What do I mean by that? Well, our words are extremely powerful. They can make others feel good, or they can hurt others. When I think of "building others up," I think of a huge machine. Check this out.



Construction machine building something



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

That machine was incredibly powerful, so it had to be extremely careful. When the person used the machine carefully, all its power helped to build that huge building. That's not the only thing a huge machine like this can do, though, is it?

If someone wanted, they could use this machine to destroy things. Let's check out another video.



Construction machine destroying something



Now, they were supposed to tear down that building, but imagine something with me. What if someone started driving that machine who wasn't careful? They drove way too fast, and they swung the big arm around everywhere. What would happen? They'd destroy a lot of things, and might hurt a lot of people. If you don't use all that power in the right way, it's going to cause some damage!

The same thing is true for our words. They are so powerful, and that means we have to think carefully about how we use them. Our words can tear people down if we're not careful, but they can also build others up in huge ways. Just like big construction machines exist to build strong buildings, our words can make others feel loved, cared for, confident, and joyful. We can build others up with our powerful words.

The words we say to our friends, siblings, parents, and even people we don't know well can make a huge difference. The question is, are we building others up with good, kind, encouraging words? Or are our unkind and hurtful words tearing them down? Jesus showed us that when we honor others with our words, build them up, we can give them joy and hope. Our words can show others that they matter, both to us, and to God.

So what words are you choosing? The next time you want to say something hurtful, or tear someone down, what could happen if you chose to say something kind? If you want to point out something someone did wrong, what if you chose to focus on something they are good at, and encourage them? You might make a huge difference to them.

Worship Slide

Worship 8:00

Another great way to use our words is to worship God. "Worship" means to show how awesome God is, usually by singing! We get to sing about God every week in church. Let's stand and do some singing now!



Song #1: Remind Me

(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide	
Let's keep on singing and dancing with another song all still pretty new, but it's so amazing! It was written by n is so fun.	9
Song #2: 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	s take a moment to talk to God.
God, thank you for loving us and encouraging us. Hel others up this week. In Jesus' name, amen.	p us to use our words to build
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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 honor others this week.

