

# 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:

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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.

# What Did Jesus Do? Series at a Glance for Elevate (continued)

#### 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 6: Jesus followed God's plan

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**

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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 ready to get started, and 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 I get 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



Series Title Slide: What Did Jesus Do? and clear audio

Sometimes, people ask the question "What Would Jesus Do?" You might have even seen people wearing things that have the letters on them: "WWJD." That stands for "What

Would Jesus Do?" 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.

First up, we've got a game to play together called "Trust or Nah?"



Game Title Slide: "Trust or Nah?"

This trivia game is for everyone to play! I'm going to read two statements from the screen. One will be true, and one will be false. Your job is to pick which one to believe. To vote, you'll move to the side of the room that statement is on. Ready?

**Know This**: If your "confidence screens" might give the answer away, put another "Game Title Slide" between the statements and the answer to hide it on the confidence screens.



A British submarine once kept a reindeer on board for six weeks. | Last year, a person tried to sneak a rhinoceros onto a plane. (and fun background music!)

**Do This**: Read the statements from the screen.

## Which one of these do you think is true? Move to that side of the room!

## Let's find out if you're right.

**A British submarine once kept a reindeer on board for six weeks.** | Last year, a person tried to sneak a rhinoceros onto a plane in France. (and fun background music!)

That had to be difficult. Let's look at another pair of statements.



Cows moo with different accents based on where they are from. | Wild chickens migrate south for the winter.

**Do This**: Read the statements from the screen.

## Which one do you think is true? Move to that side of the room!

## Let's find out if you're right.



**Cows moo with different accents based on where they are from.** | Wild chickens migrate south for the winter.

Wow, cows from different places have different moos. Let's look at another one!



No one has ever reached the very bottom of the ocean. | Chickens were originally jungle animals.

**Do This**: Read the statements from the screen.

### Which one do you think is true? Move to that side of the room!

Let's see if you're correct.



No one has ever reached the very bottom of the ocean. | **Chickens were originally** jungle animals.

That's really interesting! You don't usually think of finding chickens when you're going through the jungle. Let's try another one!

Scientists have slowed light down to move at about 38 miles per hour. | The oldest smiley face we've found is 167 years old.

**Do This**: Read the statements from the screen.

Which one of these do you think is true? Let's find out!



**Scientists have slowed light down to move at about 38 miles per hour.** | The oldest smiley face we've found is 167 years old.

Wow! If you're interested, they slowed light down by making it super cold. Also, the oldest smiley face we've found is about four thousand years old! We've only got a couple left.



The biggest snowflake in the world was 8 inches across. | The longest musical performance in the world has been going for 19 years.

**Do This**: Read the statements from the screen.

#### Which one is true? Make your guess!

### Let's find out!



The biggest snowflake in the world was 8 inches across. | **The longest musical performance in the world has been going for 19 years.** 

That's amazing! The performance is actually planned to go for 639 years, to play until 2640. Let's look at one more set of statements.



You can get a license to hunt unicorns in Michigan. | Your stomach growling is caused by small lightning bolts in your stomach.

**Do This**: Read the statements from the screen.

Which one of these do you think is true? Move to the side of the room your answer is on!

Let's find out!

**You can get a license to hunt unicorns in Michigan.** | Your stomach growling is caused by small lightning bolts in your stomach.

You can get a license to hunt unicorns in Michigan. That is really interesting!

Game Title Slide: "Trust or Nah?" and clear audio

Good job everyone! What we choose to believe and trust is super important. We'll talk more about that in a few minutes, but first, it's time for our challenge wheel!



Challenge Wheel Video



*(Auto Advance)* Challenge Wheel Slide: With the person next to you, name ten plants in twenty seconds.

With someone next to you, name ten plants in twenty seconds! Ready, set, go!

20 second countdown and fun music

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

Good job! Thinking under pressure can be tough.

# 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 God's Son Jesus was in a really tough place.



The Source: Part 2 (9:00)

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

That word, "faith," is so important.

# Application

5:00

Here's something important to remember from today.

I can put my faith in God.

Remember, faith means believing someone completely, and trusting them no matter what. Here's one way to think about it. Check out this video of someone walking across something called a slackline.

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Slackline Video (Pause on last frame)

**Do This**: This video does not have audio, keep on talking while it is going on.

It's like he's walking a tightrope, very high up in the air. Do you think I could walk across that slackline? Would it be fun to watch me walk across this slackline? It probably would be fun to watch. Think about this, though. Would you have enough faith in him to let him carry you across that slackline?



Series Title Slide: What Did Jesus Do?

Advance to this slide at this point in the script, even if the video hasn't finished.

Probably not. I wouldn't have enough faith in that guy, who I don't know, to trust him with my life. There might not be anyone I'd trust to do that. The point, though, is that watching someone walk on a tightrope doesn't take faith. Believing that someone else

can walk across a tightrope isn't faith. Putting your faith in someone is like walking out on the tightrope with them, even though you could never get across it by yourself. Putting your faith in someone means trusting them completely, even when you're not sure what will happen.

So what does it mean to put our faith in God? He probably won't ask us to walk across any tightropes, but he will ask us to do things that challenge us. He asks to trust Him when life gets tough. God might ask us to tell others about him. He asks us to make the right choice, even when others are making wrong choices. All those things take faith.

Having faith in God means doing the things he challenges us to do. It means stepping out, and doing what God says is right, even if it's hard.

There might be something you can do this week that takes faith. Maybe it's apologizing to someone whose feelings you hurt. Maybe it's admitting something you did that you know is wrong. Maybe it's talking to the new kid at school. It could be forgiving someone, or just trusting God with something tough going on in your life right now.

Jesus showed us, though, that no matter what, we can put our faith in God. No matter how bad, difficult, or scary life gets, God always deserves our complete faith.

Worship Slide

## Worship

## 8:00

That's one reason we love to talk and sing about how amazing God is. Let's stand and sing together about our awesome God!



Song #1: All I Need

(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide

Let's keep on singing and dancing with another song about God's love!

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Song #2: Remind Me



(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 that we can always put our faith in you. Help us to believe and trust you this week. In Jesus' name, amen.

# Challenge

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?

That's a great challenge. How could you put your faith in God this week? What could you trust him with? Or, what is God challenging you to do, that you could try 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 trust God this week.

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Start free time music videos

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