



# Live Like Jesus

Younger Elementary Small Group Guide  
Week 1 • May 31/June 1/2  
Side 1 • Small Group # 1  
10 minutes



PRO TIP

This week new Kindergarteners are coming into K4 Environments. Whether or not you have these new Kindergarteners in your group, it is a great time to review positive group expectations. Work with the kids in your group to think of expectations for how everyone would like to be treated. Use phrases like, "Be Kind", "Encourage Others", or "Listen To Others". Review these group expectations each time you meet!



WELCOME

**Welcome each kid by name.**

**Ask:**

- How do you and your friends think alike? Act alike? How are you different?
- Your challenge last week was to have one conversation with one person about Jesus. Who did you talk to and what did you discuss?



PRAY

**Say:** Today is all about living and acting like Jesus. But, before we can think and act like Jesus, we need to know Jesus. That is a big reason to come to this Small Group each week. The more we can learn about how he lived and cared for each other, the more we can discover how he wants us to live. Let's pray.

**Pray:** Dear Jesus, we want to think and act like you because when we do we know we are living life to the fullest. Please help us learn more about you today. Amen.

**Give each kid a Bible.**

If you have Kindergarteners in your Group, explain that you will be using a Bible that looks different from what they used in Treasure Cove. Every story from the Treasure Cove Bible is in their new one, and the new Bible is full of even more stories!



BIBLE

- Let's start to explore how to find verses in the Bible!
- Open your Bible and look at the Table of Contents. This is like a map for our Bible. It breaks the Bible into two sections: the Old Testament (before Jesus' birth) and the New Testament (after Jesus' birth).
- The Table of Contents lists each book of the Bible and the page number it is found on. Just like a map shows you which road to take and where to go, the Table of Contents tells us the page to look on for each book of the Bible.
- Have your Group practice using the Table of Contents to find the book of Philippians and open to that book. Repeat as time allows. Explain that our Memory Verse comes out of the book of Philippians. After spending some time practicing getting to Philippians, read Philippians 2:5 out loud to your Group.

**Continue to review and discuss until Large Group.**



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## ACTIVITY

Give everyone a Straw and a Cotton Ball. Place the A & B Cards in the center of your Group.

- One at a time, read questions from the Launch Questions Sheet. Have kids vote on which answer they think is correct by blowing their cotton ball onto the corresponding letter in the center of your Group.
- You can keep the score and determine the winner. Or give random points to each question making it impossible to determine a winner, whatever you think is best for your Group!



## CHALLENGE

*Today, everyone is going home with a special gift. Your challenge is that every time you look at it, remember our church, LCBC, where you are always welcome, and you always belong. You have a place here to make friends and learn about Jesus!*



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Share an age-appropriate story about a time you 'lived it out' as a kid. Maybe you shared a Verse with someone who needed to hear it or forgave someone who hurt you.

- Review the Bottom Line
- Review the Memory Verse

**Remain in Small Group until Parent Pick Up.**



## TAKE HOME

Summer Kick Off Item (at the door)

**As you deal with one another, you should think and act as Jesus did. Philippians 2:5**



# Live In Peace With One Another

Younger Elementary Small Group Guide

Week 2 • June 7/8/9

Side 1 • Small Group # 1

10 minutes



PRO TIP

**Some kids in your Small Group will have lots of experience with the Bible. Others may just be seeing it for the first time! As you share more about the Bible with your group, invite the kids with experience to support and help others. Encourage kids who are reading the Bible for the first time and celebrate as they engage with it for the first time!**



WELCOME

**Welcome each kid by name.**

**Ask:**

- Would you rather eat ice cream every day for a week or go swimming every day for a week?
- Last week you were challenged to kick off summer and remember our church every time you looked at your gift. How did it go?



PRAY

**Say:** When we pray, we talk to God and Jesus. It is one way to learn how to become more like Jesus. Let's pray now.

**Pray:** Dear Jesus, help us love others just like how you love us. Help us become more like you and look for ways to live in peace with the people we love. We love you. Amen.



BIBLE

**Give each kid a Bible.**

- Last week we learned that the Table of Contents in a Bible is like a map. It tells us where we want to go.
- This week we are going to talk about the books of the Bible. There are 66 different books in the Bible. The Old Testament has 39 books, and the New Testament has 27 books.
- Each book of the Bible is then broken down into individual Chapters, and each Chapter is broken down into individual Verses.
- Last week we learned that we can use the Table of Contents to find the page number where each book of the Bible starts. Let's use the Table of Contents to find our Bible Verse this week, in the book of Romans.
- Then, we will find the Chapter number. Chapters are the big numbers that start each section of writing. We are looking for Chapter 12.
- Next we will find the Verse. The Verse is the small number you see. We are looking for 18.
- Read Romans 12:18 together.

**Continue to review and discuss until Large Group.**



# Live In Peace With One Another

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Week 2 • June 7/8/9

Side 2 • Small Group # 2

15 minutes



## ACTIVITY

Instruct everyone to stand in a circle. Place a Paper Plate at each spot where someone is standing. Leave one person without a plate. You will hold onto the extra plate.

- Ask everyone to play Musical Plates and start walking in a circle. When you say, "Stop," everyone should find a plate to stand on.
- Then, you will place the extra plate on the ground inside the circle and encourage the kid without a plate to stand on it because no one is out!
- Play again, allowing that kid to hold the plate in their hand, and then giving the next person who doesn't land on a plate a place to stand.
- Continue playing a few rounds.



## CHALLENGE

**Say:** *Our Bible Story today, and our activity, was all about inviting friends into our circle. And that is what next month, At The Movies, is all about! We have a huge opportunity to invite our friends and family to church next month. Raise your hand if you have never experienced At The Movies here at LCBC. If you have kids who have never experienced At The Movies, give them a brief explanation of what to expect. Help your Group come up with some names of people they could invite. Help them fill out At The Movies Invites.*



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### Ask:

- Share an age-appropriate story of a time someone spoke up for you or included you in their circle. Share how it made you feel. Use the Feelings Wheel in your Small Group supplies to help you share.
- Review the Bottom Line
- Review the Memory Verse

**Remain in Small Group until Parent Pick Up.**



## TAKE HOME

At The Movies Invites (a few per kid, at the door)

**As you deal with one another, you should think and act as Jesus did. Philippians 2:5**



# Look Out For One Another

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PRO TIP

Inviting others to church can be difficult for some kids. Support them in the process of inviting by helping them plan who they want to invite, what they can say, and how they can go to God as they wait and see if their friend will come. A great way for kids to invite others is to share what they love doing at kidVenture Island. Help kids to think of this and more as they invite others to church.



WELCOME

**Welcome each kid by name.**

**Ask:**

- Would you rather build the biggest sandcastle ever or find a buried treasure on the beach?
- Last week you were challenged to start inviting people to LCBC for At The Movies! Did you think of anyone you could invite, or did you start inviting anyone yet? Ask if there is anyone in your Group who has never experienced At The Movies or is there for the first time. Explain to them what At The Movies is.



PRAY

**Pray:** Dear God, help us continue to look for people to invite to LCBC for At The Movies. There are people all around us who need love, kindness, and help. We know your church can give people a place to belong and a chance to learn more about you and receive your love. Amen.



BIBLE

**Give each kid a Bible.**

- Every week this month we are going to keep getting more familiar with reading the Bible.
- Jesus is the reason we have a New Testament! Before Jesus was born, we only had the Old Testament.
- The New Testament is only one quarter of the entire Bible. The Old Testament is way longer than the New. If you would take your Bible and flip to the middle and take the second half of those pages and flip to the middle of that, you will end up very close to if not in the New Testament!
- Our story today is found in the New Testament.
- Work together, using the Table of Contents, to find the book of Luke and read chapter 6 verses 6-11 out loud to your Group.

**Review:**

- If you saw someone who needed help, what could you say or do?
- How do you think Jesus showed love in this story?

**Continue to review and discuss until Large Group.**



# Look Out For One Another

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Week 3 • June 14/15/16

Side 2 • Small Group # 2

15 minutes



## ACTIVITY

Lay out the Butcher Block Paper and draw a line down the center.

- Split your Group into two teams and have them stand in two lines a few feet from the Paper. Team 1 will make drawings on one side of the line, and the Team 2 will draw on the other side.
- You will give each player drawing prompts (found below). The first kid from each team will race to the paper, draw the prompt, and run back to their group. The second kid will run to draw the next drawing prompt.
- Encourage the teams to cheer and encourage as their player is drawing.
- When all the prompts are complete, place the paper in the center of your Group, and have everyone sit around it. Discuss each picture and how it relates to our Bible story.

### Drawing Prompts

- Religious leaders with worried faces about Jesus not doing things the way they had always done things
- Jesus reaching out to help the man with the twisted hand
- The man's hand before and after Jesus healed it
- A crowd of people watching Jesus heal someone
- Two people helping each other, like Jesus helped the man
- How the man might have felt before and after Jesus healed him
- Jesus teaching about doing good on the Sabbath



## CHALLENGE

Challenge everyone to continue thinking of people to invite to At The Movies. Help them fill out invites. Discuss different creative ways they might invite people.



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Share an age-appropriate story about a time you looked out for a coworker or a friend. Maybe you saw them sitting by themselves or maybe you showed up for them in a really tough week. Share what you did to look out for them.

- Review the Bottom Line
- Review the Memory Verse

**Remain in Small Group until Parent Pick Up.**



## TAKE HOME

At The Movies Invites (a few per kid, in Small Group)

**As you deal with one another, you should think and act as Jesus did. Philippians 2:5**





# Encourage One Another

Younger Elementary Small Group Guide  
Week 4 • June 21/22/23  
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PRO TIP

Kids of all ages learn by example. Show your Small Group the value of encouraging others by modeling it for them. Use encouraging words to lift up another Leader in the Environment, acknowledge and thank the door greeters as you enter the building, or write personal notes to each member of your Small Group to encourage and support them. Kids will notice what you do and recognize the power of encouraging others!



WELCOME

**Welcome each kid by name.**

**Ask:**

- What is the nicest thing anyone has said to you, or the best compliment someone could give you?
- We are challenged to invite others to At The Movies! How did you do with that last week? Explain At The Movies to anyone in your Group who has never experienced it or is there for the first time.



PRAY

**Pray:** Dear God, thank you for each of my friends who are here today. We are so thankful for your words written in the Bible. We look forward to learning new things about you today and looking for ways to apply new ways to live in our lives. Amen.

**Give each kid a Bible.**

**Say:**

- Our Verse today speaks directly to our season of inviting other people to LCBC for At The Movies! Check it out!

**Read:**

- Hebrews 10:24-25

**Review:**

- At The Movies Inviting is a great way to stir up one another to love and encourage others.
- There isn't much we can do in our life that lasts forever. You might be a superstar at singing or sports, but one day you will grow old, and that talent might not last. You might be able to earn a lot of money, but even money can go away!
- One thing that lasts forever and ever is your relationship with God. It's the most important thing you can have in your life!
- That's why it's so important to get this right and invite everyone you know.

**Continue to review and discuss until Large Group.**



BIBLE



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15 minutes



## ACTIVITY

Take out the Memory Verse Card Set and lay it on the floor in order and in a hopscotch pattern. Review the Verse with your Group a few times.

- Instruct the kids in your group to line up at the beginning of the Verse. One at a time, instruct kids to jump the hopscotch course and shout out words of the Verse as they land.
- When they're done, they can join back in the line to go again.



## CHALLENGE

Challenge everyone to think of this Memory Verse as they continue thinking of people to invite to At The Movies. Help them fill out invites. Discuss different creative ways they might invite people.



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Share an age-appropriate story about a time you encouraged another Jesus-follower. Share what you did to encourage them and how it impacted them.

- Review the Bottom Line
- Review the Memory Verse

**Remain in Small Group until Parent Pick Up.**



## TAKE HOME

At The Movies Invites (in Small Group)

**As you deal with one another, you should think and act as Jesus did. Philippians 2:5**





# Accept One Another

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10 minutes



PRO TIP

**As a Small Group Leader, you know your kids best! Use what you know about them to make it personal. In today's activity, invite kids to line up according to their favorite games, activities, hobbies, and more. Share with the Group the things that make other kids unique!**



WELCOME

**Welcome each kid by name.**

**Ask:**

- What is your favorite movie?
- We are challenged to invite others to At The Movies! How did you do with that last week? Explain At The Movies to anyone in your Group who has never experienced it or is there for the first time.



PRAY

**Pray:** God, this is a very exciting time to be at LCBC. We got a sneak peak of what our At The Movies building is going to look like in our church. We know we work hard to create a place where people feel welcomed, safe, and excited to be here. As we encounter lots of first-time friends in our Group, help us accept each new person into our church with open arms. Help us show them kindness, respect and friendship. We want to help build your church. Amen.

**Give each kid a Bible.**

**Say:**

- Our Verse today speaks directly to our season of inviting other people to LCBC for At The Movies. Check it out!

**Read:**

- Romans 15:7

**Review:**

- How can we be kind to someone who is different than us?
- When new kids come to LCBC, how can we help them feel welcomed?



BIBLE

**Continue to review and discuss until Large Group.**



# Accept One Another

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15 minutes



## ACTIVITY

**Say:** *We're going to play Line Up. We will learn a little about our friends and have fun while doing it! I will call out a category, and then you will have to "line up" in the order based on the category. For example, if I said BIRTHDAYS, you would need to talk to each other and figure out each person's birth month, then line up in the order they occur.*

- Categories: birthday month, alphabetical order of your name, size of pet, grade in school, age of oldest family member, etc



## CHALLENGE

Challenge everyone to continue thinking of people to invite to At The Movies. Help them fill out invites. Discuss different creative ways they might invite people!



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Share an age-appropriate story about a time you accepted or welcomed someone's differences.

- Review the Bottom Line
- Review the Memory Verse

**Remain in Small Group until Parent Pick Up.**



## TAKE HOME

At The Movies Invites (in Small Group)

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