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I Am Designed for a Purpose • Director Series Guide

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Even when bad things happen, we can trust that God is with us, and He knows what is going to happen next. We can be willing to trust and follow Him in a way that helps people come to know Him better.

Bible: Joseph in Prison- Genesis 39-40

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At a Glance



The Code



Gospel Page



Leader Devos

The first 10 minutes as kids arrive is a very important time in your small group. Because of this, we provide you with intentional activities to engage their interests and help lead into a great discussion. All of this is so that "boredom" is not an excuse. Everything is only available one time. Every week you have:

- Roku Games to play together that are changed out monthly.
- 2 month specific games or group activities.
- Plus 2 Social Activities. ** Use one now and save the other for an incentive to participate in all the activities.

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page, Roku Game Bear, Campfire, Canoe, Trail Signs (1 set per group), Bible

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

Joseph encountered different situations that could have caused him doubt God's plan. Joseph was on the lookout when he was faced with tough choices, but he stayed focused on God. Like Joseph, we are designed by God for a purpose. Say, "I am designed for a purpose!" (I am designed for a purpose!) We can also look out and be aware of temptations to doubt God and go our own way rather than following God's way. Say, "I can look out!" (I can look out!)

Gospel Connection: (refer to the 4 Circles poster in your small group spaces)

(Circle one) When God made the world, He made everything perfect. He designed people to love, trust, and follow His amazing plan and purpose for their lives. Joseph did his best to follow God's design for his life. Even though Joseph knew God had a purpose for him, Joseph still faced the temptation to go a different way.

(Circle two) Joseph had some tough choices to make. Though we saw him make the right choice, Joseph was not always perfect. How do we know that? The Bible tells us that everyone has sinned! Our sin separates us from God and leaves us in a broken world where it can be difficult to follow God when we are faced with tough choices. No matter how hard we try, we cannot fix our brokenness on our own. Our sin deserves punishment, and we need to be rescued.

(Circle three) The good news is that, even though our sin separates us from God, God still loves His people. God loves us so much that He sent us His Son, Jesus. Jesus never sinned and perfectly lived out God's purpose for His life. Jesus died on a cross, taking the punishment we deserved for our sin. He came back to life, showing that He is more powerful than sin and death. He showed that nothing can stop God's purpose, plan, and love!

(Circle four) Like Joseph, when we follow God, we can look out when we face tough choices that may try and distract us from God's purpose. He designed us to love and follow Him and help others do the same.

God has a purpose for each of us. He designed us to trust and follow Him and make a difference by pointing others to Him. We can look out, knowing God loves to help us when we are faced with tough choices. Say, "I can look out!" (I can look out!) I'm so glad we can join together on this amazing adventure God has for all of us! Let's pray and talk to God in 3-2-1.

God, thank You that You have an incredible purpose and adventure for our lives. Help us look out for and follow Your good plans for our lives. When we are faced with tough choices, help us to look to You, knowing that Your purpose and plan is best. Amen.

Look and See!

Kids will create an image of the Theme verse.

Big Goal: Kids will have a way to remember the Theme verse at home.

Leader Prep: Set out supplies. Use the Theme Verse Poster, in a visible location for the kids to see. "We are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do." (Ephesians 2:10)

Supplies: Theme Verse Printable (1 per child), Crayons and Markers (several), Theme Verse Poster (1 per group)

What To Do: Our Theme verse says that God created us for a purpose—for good works that He has prepared for us to do. We can look around and know that, wherever we are and whatever is happening, nothing will stop God's purpose.

Let's make some cool art we can take home to help us remember our Theme verse. First, we are going to fill in the missing words on your paper. Look at the poster and tell me what the first blank should say (For younger kids, help by pointing to the words as you read the poster together. Then point to the word that is missing. Encourage kids to copy as best they can. Now, draw a pair of eyes in the middle of your paper, looking up, down, to the left, or to the right. Use your pictures to remember to look around and see that God designed you for a purpose. (Allow time.)

Leader Tip: Assist kids with writing as needed.

Loud And Clear: Let's read our Theme verse together one more time! "We are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do. Ephesians 2:10." This Bible verse tells us that we are God's workmanship. This means that God designed and created us for a purpose. Everyone, say, "I am designed for a purpose!" (I am designed for a purpose!) Our Theme verse says that we are created for a purpose. Even when things are not going the way we want, like Joseph in today's Bible story, this Bible verse can remind us that God designed us for a purpose, and we can do good works which point others to Him!

(While kids are completing this activity it would be a good time to talk through the discussion questions so they know why remembering Jesus is the only way is important.)

Let's chat about this more by looking at some questions that make us think deeper.

Discussion Questions:

- What are tough choices kids your age have to make? (Allow answer, and share your own answer.)
- The Bible tells us that God designed us for a purpose, and we can look out and trust Him when we are faced with tough choices. Let's open our Bibles to **Genesis 39:21-23** and read about it together. (Invite kids to open their Bibles. Read the passage aloud, or invite a kid who volunteers to read the passage aloud. Be sure to have Bibles available for kids who need one. Help kids find the passage so everyone can follow along together.) Joseph made a tough choice when He trusted and followed God, even when that meant he was thrown in prison. We see that God was with Joseph. What can people see when they trust and follow God like Joseph did? (Answers may include loving God more than anything; trusting God and His purpose for our lives; and so forth.)
- In today's Bible story, we saw that sin has consequences. When Potiphar's (PAHT ih fuhr) wife sinned and lied about Joseph, Joseph was put in jail. What is the consequence of our sins? (We are separated from God.) How does the good news of Jesus make a difference when it comes to sin and consequences? (Jesus forgives our sin and makes the way for us to have a relationship with God.)
- What can we do when we are faced with a tough choice? In today's story, we saw that Joseph made the choice to continue to follow God, even in bad situations like slavery and prison. How can Joseph's example encourage us when we are faced with tough choices? (Allow kids to answer and share your own answer.)
- The Bible tells us that, when we are faced with tough choices, we can look to God and trust His plans and purpose. What is something encouraging you will remember from today?

Is there anything you have questions about? (Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.) Let's pray and talk to God. (Lead the group in prayer. Consider using the following prayer prompt.)

God, thank You that You have a purpose for our lives—to love and follow You and help others do the same. Thank You that You sent Jesus so we can have a relationship with You and that Jesus helps us trust and follow Your plan. Help us look out and follow You when we are faced with tough choices. Amen.

When challenging times happen in our lives and we are faced with tough choices, we can look out and remember that God designed us for a purpose. No matter where we are or what is happening, we can trust and follow Him. His plans for us are best!

GOING HOME

Pass out the coloring pages for kids to take home. Greet families as they arrive and tell them something about their child you saw today. Say goodbye and call everyone by name.