

# ADVENTURE AWAITS

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Elementary Groups

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### I Am Designed for a Purpose Director Series Guide

the place for kids to take  
their first steps with Jesus.

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We can look up and trust God to lead them in their lives. Joseph trusted God's purpose for his life, and kids can know that we can do the same.

**Bible:** *Joseph Interprets Dreams- Genesis 39-41*

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At a Glance



The Code



Gospel Page



Leader Devos

SOCIAL TIME

**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 is a great example of someone who didn't know everything about God's plan for him, but Joseph trusted in God anyway! Even with all the distractions, everyone around Joseph saw that God was with him and working through him. Joseph was able to trust in God's plan. Because of that trust, Joseph rose to a position of great authority and was able to help many people. We can have that kind of faith and trust in God too!

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

*(Circle three)* The gospel is sometimes called the good news of Jesus. God planned for Jesus to be the Savior of the world. To do that, Jesus came to earth as a baby, and He lived a perfect life and never sinned. Then, Jesus died on a cross, taking the punishment we deserve for our sin.

*(Circle one)* Showing others God's love is part of God's design for us. Like the plan God had for Joseph, God has a great adventure planned for our lives too! This plan is one that honors Him and points others to Him, but the details of that plan come one step at a time, not all at once. God is ruler and creator of all things, and all things work for His purpose, for His glory, and in His timing.

*(Circle two)* It's hard to wait. It's hard not to be able to see the big plan. It's especially hard when God's plans don't always go the way we expect them to. God's plans for Joseph didn't always go the way Joseph expected. The sin around Joseph caused him to be sold into slavery and even put into prison, but that didn't stop Joseph from doing what God called him to do. Even when difficult things happened in Joseph's life, he trusted God and God's plan for his life. Even when difficult and unexpected things happen in our lives, we can trust God's plan for our lives.

*(Circle four)* When we turn from sin, believe in God, and trust in His plan, we can know that everything will work out for God's glory and for our good! We can live a new life.

What an amazing adventure we have been on today! I loved seeing us all learn and grow together. As we continue our adventure, remember to look up and keep your focus on God. Everyone, say, **"I can look up!" (I can look up!)** God has designed us all with a purpose. When we trust in Him, even when we only know part of His plan, He will always be with us! Like Joseph, we can trust and follow God's plan for our lives! *Let's pray together and talk with God in 3-2-1:*

*God, thank You so much for this amazing day to come and worship You. Help us trust in Your plans for us. Let us help others to know You with our words, thoughts, and actions. Help us love You and love others more. You are incredible, and we love You. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.*

## Mystery Art

Kids will try to get their friends to draw specific pictures without telling them what to draw.

Big Goal: Kids will be reminded that it's OK not to know God's full plan for our lives.

**Supplies:** Blank paper (several), Crayons or markers (Several)

**What To Do:** Say, "Mystery Art." (*Mystery art!*) Today, we are going to take turns describing an object to our friends. Our friends will try to draw the object from our descriptions and correctly guess the object. For example, if I tell you the object is a flower, you could tell your friends to draw a straight line, draw a circle at the top of that line, and then draw five circles around the first circle you drew, but you could not tell them to draw petals or leaves. Do you think you are up to discovering the mystery art pieces? Let's try! (*Choose a kid to be the first art describer.*)

### **Mystery Art Objects:**

Cupcake

Tree

House

Ladybug

Boat

Stick person

Smiley face

Butterfly

Pizza

Kid's choice

**Keep It Going:** Play the game backward! Suggest kids draw a picture, and have their friends guess what object they are drawing. Invite kids to draw with their eyes closed for an extra challenge.

**Leader Tip:** Draw the objects ahead of time in a simple way to help kids come up with easy descriptions and directions to tell their friends. For younger kids, have the kids direct a leader in what to draw. Another leader can give kids clues to help the leader know what to draw.

**Loud And Clear:** You all did a great job helping to solve our art mysteries! Which did you think was harder, giving the instructions on what to draw or drawing and guessing the object? (*Allow kids to answer.*) Our lives are always going to be full of mysteries. We will never know God's full plan for our life, but we can always trust Him. He created us for a purpose, and His plan will always be the best plan.

*(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.

## TALK ABOUT IT

### Discussion Questions:

- What do you usually do when your plans get interrupted, and things don't seem to go your way? *(Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.)*
- The Bible tells us to look up and trust in God and His plan. Even if we don't see everything, we can know that God designed us for a purpose. Let's open our Bibles to **Genesis 41:37-40** 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 followed God's plan even when things didn't go the way he expected. Because of that, Pharaoh and other people in Egypt were able to see God at work in Joseph's life. What are some ways we can feel confident about following God's design even when we don't see the big plan?
- Because Joseph followed God's plan even when it was difficult, Joseph rose to a position of great authority. Ultimately, Joseph still surrendered to God's rules and His plan. How do we trust God, His rules, and His plans for our lives? What questions do you have about surrendering to God? *(Answers will vary.)*
- How could today's Bible story help us see why we can't know God's plan for us all at once? *(Answers will vary but may include how Joseph trusted God's plan and we can too; God was with Joseph, even in prison; God has a purpose and a plan for us; and so forth.)*
- God designed us for a purpose. The Bible tells us to look up and trust in God and His plan, even if we don't see everything. Our life is one big adventure, and that adventure was designed by the one true God! What is something encouraging that you will remember from today?

## WRAP UP

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, You are a great, mighty, and powerful Creator and Designer of all things. You made each of us with a specific purpose. Help us to see Your path for us and to follow You one step at a time. Help us trust that You have a plan that is bigger and greater than anything we could ever dream. Let us be so full of You that others see You working in us! Thank You for the ability to get to know You better today. We love You. Amen.*

We are not always able to see every step of God's plan. Some things are hidden from us, and that's OK. When we trust in God, we can know that He designed us for a purpose and that His plans are always good!

## 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.