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I Am Never Alone **Elementary Leader Guide**



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We are celebrating the true meaning of Christmas as kids learn that God sent Jesus to save us from sin and make the way for us to have a forever relationship with Him.

BIBLE- God Gives Me Salvation - Luke 2:1-20





The Code



Gospel Page



Leader Devos

Every week you have:

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.

- 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, Piece of paper (1 per child), Pencil (1 per child), Music player and music (1 per group)

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

This true story is all about how God gave us the most amazing gift ever—His Son, Jesus. And it is not just a story from the past. It is a story that shows us that we are never alone, and that God gives us salvation. Who gives us salvation? Say, "God gives me salvation!" (God gives me salvation!) And like the shepherds were not alone when they received the good news, we are never alone because God is always with us through Jesus. Say, "I am never alone!" (I am never alone!)

It is Christmastime, and I am sure many of you have a gift that you would like to get this year. But the truth is, we already have the best gift ever. When I say, "Best gift" you say, "Ever!" "Best gift!" (Ever!) That is right! When Jesus was born, He was God's gift to us. He came to rescue us, to bring peace between us and God. That is what salvation is all about!

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

(Circle three) God knew we couldn't fix the brokenness in our world, so He sent His Son, Jesus, to help us. Jesus died on the cross and came back to life to defeat sin and death so we can have a relationship with God again.

(Circle one) See, when God created everything, it was perfect—no pain, no sadness, and no sin. The first people God created had a perfect relationship with Him. It is how God wanted the world to be!

(Circle two) Sin entered the world when people disobeyed God, and it broke our perfect relationship with Him. But the good news is that Jesus made a way for us to be forgiven and close to God again, so we are never alone!

(Circle four) Say, "I am never alone!" (I am never alone!) That is right! God is always with you, and He promises to walk with you every day when you trust in Jesus. We can talk to God, pray to Him, and know that He hears us. He is always with us! Say, "I am never alone!" (I am never alone!)

When we think about Christmas, we often think about presents. But is there more to Christmas than just the gifts we receive? Say, "Absolutely!" (Absolutely!) The greatest gift of all is the gift of salvation through Jesus. It is not about what we get, but about what God gave to us! And that is a reason to celebrate this Christmas!

God, thank You for sending Jesus to be the best gift ever. Thank You for loving us so much and giving us salvation. Help us to trust You and remember that we are never alone because You are always with us. We love You! Amen.

Best Gift Ever (20 Minutes)

Kids will use materials to build a gift box, illustrating the story of Jesus' birth in a humble stable. Using Story Cards they will retell the Christmas story to share with others this Christmas.

Big Goal: Create a visual representation of the Best Gift Ever while learning about the birth of Jesus in the stable.

Leader Prep: Print and cut apart copies of the "Christmas Story Card" printable, providing enough for each kid. Set out supplies. Create an example of the craft.

- 1. Lay out gold box, Best Gift Ever Sticker, gift bow, Jesus figure and the Christmas Story Cards.
- 2.Instruct kids to assemble the gold box. Some boxes might need some tape to stay together.
- 3. Then instruct kids to place the sticker on the inside lid of their box.
- 4. They will place the Jesus figure in the box and then close the box.
- 5. Then they will place the gift bow on top.
- 6. Then take the Christmas Story Cards and help kids cut them, fold them and glue the blank sides together. Then practice telling the story. Consider giving everyone a part to play and act it out.

Supplies: Gold box (1 per kid), Best Gift Ever sticker (1 per kid), gift bow (1 per kid), Jesus figure (1 per kid), Christmas Story Cards (1 set per kid), child-safe scissors, stapler, glue sticks

What To Do: Hey, friends! Are you ready to make your very Christmas Gift? Say, "Oh yeah!" (Oh yeah!) The box is to help us remember what a gift Jesus is to each of us. You can explain this to someone by sharing the Christmas story with them using your story cards.

Leader Tip: Encourage the kids to take their time and be creative, helping them focus on the details like how Mary and Joseph cared for Jesus. If kids get stuck, offer gentle guidance, and remind them that just like the manger was a special place for Jesus, their craft is a special reminder of His gift to us.

Loud And Clear: Look at the incredible gifts we have made, friends! In Luke 2:1-20, we learn that Jesus was born to bring us salvation. It is pretty amazing that God's best gift would be placed in a manger. Let me hear you say, "Wow! That is amazing!" (Wow! That is amazing!) Jesus really is the best gift ever! Shout, "Best gift ever" with me! "Best gift ever!"

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

Discussion Questions:

- What do you think makes a gift truly special—is it the price, the thought, or something else? (Allow kids to answer and share your answer.)
- The Bible tells us that, because of Jesus, we are never alone, and He is the best gift ever! Let's open our Bibles to Luke 2:10-11 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.) Why do you think God chose the shepherds to be the first to hear about Jesus' birth? What does that tell us about who Jesus came for? (Answers may include that the shepherds were seen as humble, hardworking people. By choosing them, God shows that Jesus came for all kinds of people, not just the wealthy or powerful. It reminds us that Jesus is available to everyone, not just those who seem important by the world's standards.)
- Why is it important to remember that Jesus came to be our Savior? (Allow kids to answer.) How does that affect the way we live our lives? (Answers may include that because Jesus came to save us, we can trust Him to guide us and help us live the way God wants us to. Jesus came to save us from our sins so we could have a close relationship with God.) If you want to know more about how to follow Jesus, I would love to talk with you and answer any questions you have!
- How does Jesus' gift of salvation make Christmas even more special than all the presents we receive? (Answers may include that Jesus' gift of salvation is more important than any gift we could ever receive because it lasts forever and brings us closer to God. Unlike presents that we may lose or outgrow, the gift of Jesus is something we can always have, and that changes our lives forever.)
- The Bible tells us that God gives us salvation, and because of that, we are never alone! Jesus is the best gift we could ever receive! What is something encouraging you will remember from today? (Allow kids to answer.)

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 for the gift of Christmas and for sending Your Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. We are so grateful that Jesus came to earth to show us Your love and to rescue us from our sins. Thank You for giving us the best gift ever—salvation through Jesus. We know that because of Him, we are never alone, and we have hope for today and forever. Help us to always remember the true meaning of Christmas and to share the good news with others. We love You and praise You for the amazing gift of Jesus. Amen.

As we read the story of Jesus' birth in Luke 2:1-20, we are reminded that God sent His Son to be with us, fulfilling His promise that we are never alone. The arrival of Jesus as our Savior is the ultimate expression of God's love for us. Through Him, we can have salvation and a constant relationship with God. Jesus brings us joy and security, knowing He is always with us, no matter what.

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.