



July 27, 2025 I Am Broken Director Series Guide

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

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Jesus taught that our greatest need is Him. We all need forgiveness and a relationship with God.

BIBLE- *The Rich Young Ruler- Luke 18:18-30*

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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, Guess What is Broken Roku Game, laser pointer (1 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

In our Bible story today, we learned about a man who is known in the Bible as the “rich young ruler.” This man followed God’s rules, but he treasured his money and possessions more than he treasured the opportunity to know and follow Jesus. The world is filled with many things we think are important, just like the rich young ruler. Sin can make us confused about what is really important and what we really need. Jesus knew what the rich young ruler really needed, and He knows our need too. Say, “God knows my need!” (*God knows my need!*)

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

(*Circle three*) In our Bible story, the rich young ruler treasured his money more than anything. However, God knew what the young man needed was a relationship with Him. That is our greatest need too

(*Circle one*) The relationship we have with God when we follow Jesus is the relationship God created us to have. When God created the world, He made everything perfect. He made people to know Him, love Him, and follow Him. God gave the first people everything they needed.

(*Circle two*) We might think we can fix our brokenness through doing certain things, like how the young ruler in our story followed all the rules. But none of us can fix our brokenness on our own. God knows our deepest need is to have our brokenness repaired and to be rescued from our sin.

(*Circle four*) It is such good news that God sent Jesus to repair our brokenness and make us new! God knows what we need, and that’s why He sent Jesus. Say, “Made new!” (*Made new!*)

Talk to a leader if you want to know more about following Jesus!

We learned today that God knows our need! Say, **“God knows my need!”** (*God knows my need!*) Sometimes we may think that things other than God are most important, but a relationship with God is more important than anything else in this world. When we forget what is true, we are reminded that we are broken. Say, “I am broken.” (*I am broken.*) God wants us to be made new! Say, “Made new!” (*Made new!*) He knows just what we need—a relationship with Him through Jesus. Let’s pray and talk to God in 3-2-1.

God, thank You that You know our greatest need is to have a relationship with You. Thank You for making the way for us to be forgiven by sending Jesus to die for our sin and come back to life. Thank You for helping us see that You are our most important need. We love You. Amen.

Guard Your Treasure

Kids will guard and steal paper balls from each other's hula hoops.

Big Goal: Learn that following Jesus is our greatest treasure.

Leader Prep: Set out supplies. Place the hula hoops on opposite sides of the room.

Supplies: Blank paper (several), Hula hoops (2 per group), Stopwatch or timer (1 per group)

What To Do: We get to play a game called "Guard Your Treasure"! What is it called? (*Guard Your Treasure!*) To play this game, we will form two teams! How many teams? (*Two!*) Yes! (*Place kids on two different teams.*) I will give you each two pieces of paper, which you will crumple into paper balls and place in your team's hula hoop, which is your team's "treasure box." Everyone, say, "treasure box!" (*Treasure box!*) Go ahead and make your paper balls, and place them in your treasure box. (*Allow time.*)

You and your teammates must guard your "treasure" while also trying to take paper balls from the other team's hula hoop! You have 90 seconds to play the game, but when I say, "Stop," you will freeze. The team with the most paper balls in its hula hoop treasure box wins! Let's get started! You cannot touch another player, and you cannot hit or knock a paper ball from someone else's hands. Ready? Let's play!

(*Play multiple rounds, switching up the teams.*)

Keep It Going: Challenge kids to toss the paper balls into their team's hoop.

Leader Tip: Warn teams of their time remaining at the 60-, 30-, and 15-second mark.

Loud And Clear: That game was so cool! Both teams worked super hard! In this game, we had to guard our treasure. In our lives, because of sin, sometimes we can get confused about what is most important and forget about our greatest treasure. God knows that our greatest need and treasure is a relationship with Him!

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

Discussion Questions:

1. What are some ways people try and find happiness and satisfaction in the world? (Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.)
2. The Bible tells us that we are broken, and God knows our need. Let's open our Bibles to Luke 18:27-30 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.) The rich young ruler walked away from Jesus sad because he loved what he owned on earth more than following Jesus. Jesus is our most important treasure. It is impossible for us to rescue ourselves from our sins on our own, but Jesus came to offer us forgiveness and make it possible for us to know Him. What can help us remember that a relationship with God is our greatest need? (Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.)
3. How does it help you to know that God knows our greatest need is to have a relationship with Him, even when we sometimes treasure things more than God? (Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.)
4. The world says that we need many things and people to make us happy and make life the best, but what is truly the most important thing we need? (Allow kids to answer. Share that the most important thing we need is a relationship with Jesus.)
5. The Bible tells us that we are broken, but God can make us new. Even when we search for things on earth to make us happy instead of searching for God, He still offers us forgiveness and a relationship with Him through Jesus. That is our greatest need. 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 for offering us forgiveness and a way to receive what we really need. When we sin, we are reminded that a relationship with Your Son, Jesus, is our deepest need. Thank You that You sent Your Son, Jesus, to be our Savior and Rescuer, so we can be made new when we trust and follow You. Thank You for how Jesus paid the price for our sin so we can be rescued from the punishment of sin. Help us know that You are our greatest treasure above anything else in the world. We love You. Amen.

God knows our need, even our greatest need—a relationship with Him. When we treasure things on earth more than God, we are reminded that we are broken. God knows we are broken, and He offers us forgiveness when we trust and follow Him!

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.