


# December 6, 2026

## I Am Meant to Know God
## Elementary Leader Guide

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

## WIN

Our Christmas journey begins with Isaiah and Micah, who wrote about God's promised Savior before Jesus was born. Kids will learn: "I Can Know God through His Word" as they discover what the Bible tells us about Jesus.
*BIBLE- The Prophets Told About Jesus- Isaiah 7:14; 9:6-7; 11; Micah 5:2*

## TOOLS

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## 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, Markers (2–4 per group), Yarn (1 per group), Paper (2–4 per group), Adult scissors (1 per group), Train, Brain and Crane Posters, music player and music(optional)

**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."

VIDEOS

**Bible Story Video (10 minutes)**

**Bible Story Recap- Say This**

Hundreds of years before Jesus was born, God sent prophets like Isaiah and Micah to tell people about His promised Savior!
We can trust what God's Word, the Bible, tells us about Jesus.
Jesus is our Wonderful Counselor who guides us and our Mighty God who is powerful.
He is called Eternal Father because His loving care lasts forever, and Prince of Peace because He brings us peace.
God made us to know Him, so let's say, "I can know God through His Word!"

GOSPEL CONNECTION

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

**Circle 2**- God made us to know Him, but we all sin—choosing what we think is best instead of what God says is best—and our sin separates us from Him. We can't fix our sin problem on our own, so we need Jesus to rescue us and make a way for us to have a relationship with God!

**Circle 3**- God kept His promise by sending Jesus, His perfect Son, to rescue us from sin by dying on the cross and coming back to life! When we believe in Jesus as our Savior, we can know God and have a relationship with Him.

**Circle 1-** God designed the world perfectly, and He designed us to know Him and have a relationship with Him.

**Circle 4-** When we believe in Jesus for life, we are no longer separated from God. We become God's children and get to enjoy life with Him now and forever. We get to enjoy life with God now and for how long? (*Forever!*)

When we want to learn more about Christmas or understand why we celebrate it, we can read the Bible. What can we read? (*The Bible!*) The Bible is true, and we can know God when we read and believe what it says. We can celebrate what the Bible says about Jesus—He is God's promised Savior, and He is the reason we celebrate Christmas! Who is the reason we celebrate Christmas? *(Jesus!*) We can know God when we read the Bible, listen to people teach the Bible, and talk with people who know the Bible and tell us what it says.

If you have questions about what all of this means or why it is important, find one of your Campus Leaders or me. We would love to help you know God more.

Let's pray and thank God for making a way for us to know Him through the Bible and the way for us to have a relationship with Him through Jesus. Pray with me in 3-2-1.

*God, thank You that You made us to know You. You gave us the Bible so we can know You better, and we can trust what the Bible says because it is true. Thank You for sending Jesus as the Savior we need, who we can celebrate at Christmastime and all year long. Help us to know You more so we can love You more. Amen.*

APPLICATION ACTIVITY

**Speedy Sort**

**Big Goal:** Learn Jesus' names in Isaiah 9:6.

**Supplies:** Timer

**Instructions:**

1. Name a category and read the choices below.
2. On "Go," kids choose an option and gather with others who made the same choice.
3. Time how quickly everyone forms a group. Help anyone who needs it.
4. Play several rounds, changing the category each time.

**Categories:**

- Pets: Dog, cat, bird, or fish
- Fruit: Apple, orange, banana, or grape
- Sports: Football, basketball, baseball, or hockey
- Christmas decorations: Tree, stocking, lights, or wreath
- Christmas treats: Hot chocolate, cookies, candy canes, or chocolate oranges

**Jesus' Names Rounds**: For the final rounds, have kids choose Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, or Prince of Peace and gather with others who chose the same name. After each round, review one meaning:

- Wonderful Counselor: Jesus helps and guides us.
- Mighty God: Jesus is all-powerful.
- Eternal Father: Jesus' loving care lasts forever.
- Prince of Peace: Jesus brings us peace.

**Keep It Going:** Let kids suggest categories or change how they move, such as marching or tiptoeing.

**Wrap-Up:** Isaiah shared these names to tell people about God's promised Savior, Jesus. Knowing these names helps us understand who Jesus is!

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

## TALK ABOUT IT

**Discussion Questions:**

- Who are the people you know well? How did you get to know them? *(Allow responses and share your own response.)*
- How can a book about trains help us remember that we can know God through His Word? *(The book was full of true facts because the author wrote what is true. We can trust what the Bible says because God directed people to write it and everything in it is true.)*
- Everything in the Bible is true, and when we read God's Word, we get to know Him more. Let's open our Bibles to **Isaiah 11:1-2** (pg. 753) 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.)* Jesse was the father of a famous king named David. In these Bible verses, we learn that the prophet Isaiah shared a message that Someone very important would come from Jesse's family. And Jesus *did* come from that family! So what the prophet Isaiah wrote came true! How does knowing that encourage you to trust what the Bible says? *(Allow responses. Help kids see how amazing it is that Isaiah told of Jesus hundreds of years before He was born and that everything Isaiah wrote came true. We can trust what the Bible says because it is all true and comes from God.)*
- Prophets wrote that God would send a Savior, and that Savior is Jesus! What are some ways you can learn more about Jesus during this Christmas season? *(Allow responses and share your own response. Share that we can learn about Jesus by reading the Bible, by learning at church and from family members, and by talking with others who know God.)*
- The Bible tells us that we are meant to know God, and He helps us know Him through His Word. Our next stop is to know God through His Word so we can love Him more too. What is something you learned 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, thank You for creating us to know You. Thank You for showing us who You are through Your Word so we can know You better. Helps us to read the Bible and trust what it says. Help us to celebrate what the Bible says about Jesus, especially during Christmas. Amen.*

When the Bible talks about the Word becoming flesh and dwelling among us, it is talking about God's only Son, Jesus. Jesus is "the Word," and He became flesh when He was born as a baby. Jesus makes the way for us to have a relationship with God, and we can know this is true because it is written in the Bible! We can know and trust God when we know and trust the Bible, which is His Word. Say, "I am meant to know God!" (*I am meant to know God!*)

## 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.