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**I Am Uniquely Designed
Elementary Leader Guide**



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

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In Judges 13-16, kids learn about Samson. His life mattered to God even when he made wrong choices. God made each child with purpose. His love never changes, and He calls us to love Him and help others know Him.

BIBLE- The Life of Samson- Judges 13-16

TOOLS

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ASK Leader



Leader Devos



Like It Counts

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, Blank paper (4 per group), Marker (1 per group), Masking or painter’s tape (1 per group), “Collect Them All” printable (3 set per group- cutout), Dice (3 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

Can you imagine having amazing strength like Samson? It would be so cool, but also a big responsibility. Samson was uniquely gifted with strength that was given to him by God. He was given power to fight the Philistines (*fih LISS teens*) who were some of the enemies of God's people. Samson made wrong choices in his life—including allowing his hair to be cut—and ended up losing his strength. However, once his hair started to grow back, God worked through Samson and brought victory to God's people. Samson's life mattered to God, even when Samson made wrong choices. The same is true for us! Our lives matter to God, even when we make wrong choices. Everyone, say, "My life matters to God!" (*My life matters to God!*)

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

(*Circle two*) Like Samson, we all sin—doing what we think is best instead of what God says—and sin separates us from God. But there is hope, because God still loved Samson and helps us too, even when we make wrong choices.

(*Circle three*) Samson made wrong choices, but God still used him, and his life mattered to God. Your life matters too—God sent Jesus to take the punishment for sin and come back to life so you can have a forever relationship with Him.

(*Circle one*) Your life matters to God—He made you special, loves you, and can use you even when you make mistakes.

(*Circle four*) One day Jesus will come back and make everything new, and we will live with God forever.

Each of our lives matters to God, and He wants to have a relationship with you. Everyone, say, **"My life matters to God!" (My life matters to God!)** God has a plan for each of you, and you can *repent*, which means turning away from your sin and asking Jesus to forgive you. That is how you start following God's plan for your life! God wants all people to know Him because each one of us matters to Him. Everyone, say, "I am uniquely designed!" (*I am uniquely designed!*)

God, thank You for uniquely designing each of us. Thank You for teaching us that our lives matter to You. We can always turn to follow You with our whole lives. Thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to forgive us and make a way for us to know You. Help us to see ourselves the way You see us—as priceless. We love You. Amen.

Grab It

Kids will take as many tissues from their teammate as they can.

Big Goal: Review the Bible story and learn that God works in our lives.

Leader Prep: Set out supplies.

Supplies: Tissues (4–6 per child), Stopwatch or timer (1 per group)

What To Do: We are going to play a game called “Grab It!” Everyone, say, “Grab It!” (*Grab It!*) That is right! To play this game, each of you will receive two tissues. How many tissues? (*Two!*) You will place one tissue in each of your sleeves, making sure about half the tissue is visible and hanging out. If you have a hard time getting your tissue to stay, try rolling your sleeve just a little bit. You can even have part of it go through your collar if that helps it stay. (*Distribute tissues and allow time.*)

When I say, “Go,” you will have one minute to grab as many tissues as possible from other people’s sleeves. Make sure you only take one tissue at a time! When you grab a tissue, hold onto it! Then when someone grabs one of your tissues, you can kneel down and place one of the tissues you grabbed in your sleeve. While you are kneeling to put the tissue in your sleeve, you are safe. If both of your tissues get taken during the game and you do not have any more, come find me. I will give you two more, so everyone can keep playing! The player with the most tissues at the end of one minute wins! Are you ready? Let’s get started!

Keep It Going: Allow kids to play the round until there is one person left with a tissue. For this round, no additional tissues will be provided.

Leader Tip: Monitor the kids to make sure they are not hiding tissues to receive more tissues from their leader.

Loud And Clear: That game was fun! What was your favorite part? (*Allow kids to respond.*) In our Bible story today, we learned about Samson who lost his strength, like each of you had your tissues pulled away! Even though Samson made wrong choices, His life still mattered to God, and our lives matter to Him too! Say, **“My life matters to God!”** (***My life matters to God!***)

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

Discussion Questions:

- What does it mean if something is priceless? (*It's worth has no limit. It is really important.*) What is something that is priceless to you? (*Allow answers and share your own answer.*)
- The Bible tells us that we are uniquely designed, and our lives matter to God. Let's open our Bibles to **Judges 13:24** and read about it together. (*Invite kids to open their Bibles. Read the verse aloud or invite a kid who volunteers to read the verse aloud. Be sure to have Bibles available for kids who need one. Help kids find the verse so everyone can follow along together.*) God blessed Samson's life. As Samson grew up, God continued to work through him to help and protect God's people. Even though Samson made wrong choices, God still had a plan for His life. This is true for us today too. How does this Bible story help us know that our lives matter to God and that He uniquely designed each one of us like He designed Samson? (*God had a plan for Samson, and He has a plan for me. God blessed Samson, and He blesses our lives too. God designed Samson for a purpose, and He has a purpose for me.*)
- No matter what choices Samson made, God had a plan for him. Samson's life mattered to God. Our lives matter so much to God that He sent His Son, Jesus, to make a way for us to have a relationship with Him. How is it encouraging to know that our lives matter to God and that He wants to have a relationship with us? (*I know that God has a plan for my life, and He cares about me all the time. I know that God made me, and He wants me to know Him.*)
- Sometimes, we may wonder what is special about us, but to God, we are priceless. He uniquely designed us. How can God's unique design for your life remind you that you are special? (*I know that God made me in a special way. I know that God has a plan for my life that is special and just for me.*)
- The Bible tells us we are uniquely designed by God. We are priceless to Him because He made us, and our lives matter to Him. 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 designing each one of us uniquely. We are so thankful that our lives matter to You, and that You have a plan for each of us. Thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, so that we can know You. We know we make mistakes, but we are thankful that You forgive us when we trust in You. Thank You that You can still work in our lives no matter what. Help us remember that we are priceless in Your eyes. Amen.

God uniquely designed each one of us. He created us to know Him and point others to Him. God sent Jesus so we could have a relationship with Him and be forgiven when we make wrong choices and sin. We can know that God has a plan for our lives, and we are priceless to 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.