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I Am Here to Share Jesus
Elementary Leader Guide

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

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Jesus told a story about a farmer planting seeds to show that when we share Jesus, it is like planting seeds of faith—some may not grow, but sharing Jesus is worth it because God helps faith grow in people’s hearts.

BIBLE- *The Farmer and the Seed- Luke 15:1-10*

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

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

Jesus taught using parables, like this parable about the farmer and the seed, to teach people important truths about Himself and the kingdom of God. This farmer planted seed in four different places, but only one place grew the seed and produced fruit.

Jesus did not just tell this parable—He explained it! Like the seed landing in different places, different people hear the truth about Jesus and respond in different ways. Some people believe, and some people do not. But that does not mean we only share Jesus when we know for sure someone will believe. Like a farmer spreading seed everywhere, we can share Jesus with everyone. Because God is the One who helps people know and believe in Him, we can know sharing Jesus is always worth it. Say, **“Sharing Jesus is worth it!”** (*Sharing Jesus is worth it!*) God works through us when we share Jesus.

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

(Circle 1)- Why doesn't everyone just hear and believe in Jesus? When God created the world, He created people to know, love, and follow Him. Everything was perfect, and the first two people God created, named Adam and Eve, followed God and had a relationship with Him.

(Circle 2)- Adam and Eve sinned by choosing their way instead of God's way, and sin broke their relationship with God and the world. Because we all sin, we need someone to rescue us from our sin.

(Circle 3)- God loves us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, to die for our sin and come back to life. When we turn from sin and follow Jesus, we can be forgiven and grow in our relationship with God.

(Circle 4)- As we grow in God, we can share the truth about Jesus with others, like planting seeds. Some people will believe and follow Jesus, and when we share, God can use us to help more people know Him.

If you want to know more about trusting and following Jesus, talk with me or your Campus Leader. We know sharing Jesus with you is worth it.

Today we learned we are here to share Jesus, and that **sharing Jesus is worth it**. When we talk about Jesus with our friends and family, we never know what kind of seed we are planting and how they might grow—but God does! We can know that sharing Jesus is one of the most important things we can do. God works through us to grow His family. Repeat after me, “I am here to share Jesus.” (*I am here to share Jesus.*) **“Sharing Jesus is worth it.”** (*Sharing Jesus is worth it.*) Let's pray and talk with God in 3-2-1.

*God, thank You for the truth that **sharing Jesus is worth it**. Help us to know that anytime we share Jesus, it is worth it because You work through us. Thank You for inviting us to be a part of sharing the good news about Jesus with others. Amen.*

Good Soil Hop

Kids will hop, skip, or dash to different corners of the room, trying to be in the corner that is chosen.

Big Goal: Know that, like the good soil in the Bible story, we can share Jesus and trust God to help people receive it.

Leader Prep: Write numbers one through four each on a separate piece of paper. Hang a numbered paper in each corner of the room.

Supplies: Paper (4 per group), Marker (1 per group)

What To Do: Today we are going to play a fun game where one of you is the “farmer” and the rest of you will be “seed.” The farmer will close your eyes and count down from 10 while everyone else will move to one of the corners with a sign. The farmer will finish counting then call out one of the four numbers. If you are standing in that corner, you are a seed in the good soil! Give yourself a point and we will play again. The first seed to get four points wins! Then we can select another farmer and play again.

Seed, for this first round, you need to skip while you move. Let’s choose a farmer and play!

Keep It Going: Change how kids move each round, such as skipping, sidestepping, or even (carefully!) walking backward.

Loud And Clear: That was so fun! Each round, you did not know if you were a seed in the good soil or not. Sometimes when we share Jesus, it may fall on the harder soil and not grow, and we can feel like it was not worth it. Is that true? *(No!)* Absolutely not. **Sharing Jesus is worth it.** When we keep sharing Jesus, God will work through us and help some of the “seed” we share to grow! Say, **“Sharing Jesus is worth it!”** *(Sharing Jesus is worth it!)*

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

Discussion Questions:

- What are some qualities that make a good farmer or gardener? What about some qualities that would make for a terrible farmer or gardener? *(Allow kids to respond and share your own response.)*
- The Bible tells us that **sharing Jesus is worth it**, even when we do not always see what happens right away. Let's open our Bibles to **Matthew 13:23** 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.)* This Bible verse describes the person who hears the truth and lives it out, growing and bearing fruit and sharing Jesus with more people. How can we sow seed and share Jesus in ways that might make people want to learn more about Jesus? *(When we share Jesus with kindness and are a good friend, people will be more willing to ask questions and want to learn more when we share with them. We can share about the difference Jesus has made in our lives, not just facts about Him.)*
- Why do you think God works through people like us to share Jesus rather than just doing everything Himself? *(We get to be a part of God's big story. When we share Jesus, we are helping people learn how they can have a relationship with Him too!)*
- If people do not want to listen to you talk about Jesus, is sharing Jesus still a good thing? What can we do in those situations? *(Yes, it is a good thing. God works through us even when we cannot see the results. We can remember that when it is hard to talk about Jesus, God will help give us strength.)*
- The Bible tells us that sharing Jesus is something we should do, and it is worth it. Jesus said that seed can be sown on multiple kinds of soil, so even when we share and someone does not want to learn more, we can trust God to continue! 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 loving us and sending Jesus so we can be part of Your family. Help us to remember that **sharing Jesus is worth it**. Even if people may not be ready to listen or ask more about You, help us know that every chance we get to share about You is worth it. Thank You for helping us grow in You and for working through us to help others know You. Amen.*

When we share Jesus, it is like planting seed of truth in people's hearts. People may not always want to hear what we have to say. We may not always see what happens right away. But we can trust that, like the seed on the good soil, God works through us to help people grow. **Sharing Jesus is worth it!**

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.