



# Loop



## SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Week 1: *Nothing But a Number*  
Maturity

### The Point

Age is just a number.

### The Verse

1 Timothy 4:12 NLT

*Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity.*

### Order of Experience

Countdown/Hang Out  
Icebreaker in Small Groups  
Emcee Welcome  
Worship  
Emcee Transition to Message  
Message/Salvation  
Offering  
Announcements  
Activity/Small Group  
Small Group Discussion  
Check Out

**Note:** This week is a Live Speak, so the message will be from a live speaker in your room, not a video.

## Small Group Discussion

### YouVersion Bible Plan

Make sure students check out the Bible Plan associated with this week:

#### *How to Grow Up*

### Icebreaker Question

How was your Christmas? (*Spend time catching up. There's another question below if you have time.*)

Have you ever ordered anything off a secret menu? What was it?

### Choose questions for your small group.

1. What's one thing you learned from the message today? What made that stick out to you?
2. Do you usually set New Year's resolutions? Why or why not?
3. What are your New Year's resolutions this year? What made you pick those?
4. How would you define "maturity"?
5. What are some ways maturity is like a secret menu at a restaurant? (*You have to know it exists, you choose to get it, it can be hard to understand but is a really neat thing to have, etc.*)
6. Read **1 Timothy 4:12 NLT**. What are some ways you can be an example or be more mature?
7. Is it easy or hard for you to believe that you can set an example for all believers? What makes you say that?
8. Talk about a time you set a good example for someone else. What did you do?
9. Take prayer requests and spend time praying together.

### Leader Notes/Announcements

\*Promote **Swerve** to your 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

\*Encourage your students to **invite their friends** to Loop. We'll start a new series of The Loop Show next week, so it's a great time to bring someone with them.

\*Tell your students about the **YouVersion Bible Plan**, and encourage them to complete it together as a group or with their families using Plans with Friends.