

Small Group Leader Guide

God Gives to Me

Week 3 • The Woman at the Well

Play • 15 minutes

Greet parents & kids • Play with kids

Clean Up Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Clean Up • 2 minutes

Tidy the room • Form your small group

Welcome Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Welcome • 3 minutes

Help kids in your small group feel seen and heard

- 1. **Introduce** yourself.
- Welcome kids by name.
- 3. **Ask** kids what happened during their week and let them share their answers.
- 4. **Ask** about prayer requests and events kids told you about before.
- 5. Talk about the welcome questions:
 - What's your favorite drink when you're thirsty?
 - What would you do if the cup for your favorite drink had holes in it?

Every Day Song Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Focus of the week:

Every day, I can trust Jesus.

Every Day Song • 3 minutes

Dance • Sing • Encourage kids to do the same thing

Game Transition • 30 Seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Game • 5 minutes

Have fun with your small group

You'll Need

Per Group Needs or Wants activity supplement

To Do

Say: There are things we must have to stay healthy, like food, water, love, and a safe place to live. Those things are called needs. Some things are extra—we don't need them to stay healthy. Those are called wants. If I say a need, do two push-ups. If I say a want, stand up and spin around!

- Read one thing off of the activity supplement.
- 2. **Decide** as a group it the thing is a need or a want.
- 3. If it's a need, kids do two push-ups.
- 4. If it's a want, kids stand up and spin around.
- As time allows, repeat steps 1-4 for the other items on the supplement.

Movie & Music Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Movie & Music • 20-25 minutes

Focus kids on video • Lead Bible break in small group

1. For worship, **stand** your small group up. **Model** and **encourage** participation.

Songs That's Why I Live by Faith

- 2. Seat your small group when worship is over.
- Choose questions to talk about with your small group during the 3-minute Bible break:
 - What do you think was the best part of the story? Answers will vary.
 - Who did Jesus talk to? A woman getting water
 - How do you think the woman felt before she talked with Jesus? Ideas: Ionely, sad, etc.
 - How do you think the woman felt after she talked with Jesus? Ideas: Excited, loved, etc.
- 4. Chant, "Play it again!" with emcee.
- 5. **Watch** the rest of the video together.

Bible Verse Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Bible Verse • 90 seconds

Help small group do verse and motions with emcee

Small Talk • 5-10 minutes Review • Talk • Pray

Review the Bible verse and talk about it.

Learn motions: www.leaders.life.church/crosstown

- 1. Show the verse on the back of this guide to your group and say it together with motions.
- 2. Who is the Good News about Jesus for? Everyone in the whole world

Review the point and talk about it.

Say: The point today is: Every day, I can trust Jesus. Let's say it and talk about it!

- 1. **Recite** the point together.
- 2. Jesus is a friend you can trust. What do you think you can trust Jesus to do when you're feeling lonely? *Ideas: Be close, listen, etc.*

Ask open questions and let kids talk.

- 1. What does it feel like when a friend or family member lets you down by hurting your feelings or breaking a promise? Answer will vary.
- 2. Who is always there to be your truest friend and never let you down? *Jesus*
- 3. What do you think of when you hear the word "lonely"? Ideas: No one loves you, likes you, wants to play with you, you're alone, etc.
- 4. What do you think a kid needs when they feel lonely? Ideas: Jesus, love, care, friends, kindness, someone to listen and play with, etc.
- 5. What would you like to say to a kid or a grown-up who feels lonely? Answers will vary.

Pray together.

Say: Praying is talking with God. What would you like to talk with God about?

- 1. Listen to what kids say and pray together.
- 2. Not sure what to pray? Pray this: God, thank You for being a friend who never leaves us or lets us down. Please help us remember You're there for us when we're lonely. In Jesus' name, amen.
- 3. If time allows, follow up on old prayer requests.

Check Out • Runs until kids leave

- 1. Stay in small groups until kids are checked out.
- 2. Play the game again.
- Compliment kids when they leave and tell them you're looking forward to seeing them next week.

