

Small Group Leader Guide

1 Week • Creation

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 thing to do with Play Doh?
  - If you could put on a costume and look like anything you want, what would you choose?

**Every Day Song Transition • 30 seconds** 

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Focus of the week:

Every day, I reflect Jesus to others.

**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 | Creation Game activity supplement

#### To Do

**Say:** In our game, we'll get to pretend to be some of the things God created. Let's play!

- 1. **Read** one of the days of creation from the activity supplement. **Note:** *Read days in order for 1st round.*
- Kids choose one of the things created on that day and pretend to be it.
- 3. Try to guess what each kid is pretending to be.
- 4. After making some guesses, kids **tell** you what they were pretending to be.
- Repeat steps 1-4 for each day of creation on the activity supplement.
- 6. As time allows, replay, but read days in any order.

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 My Life His Story

- 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 is one thing you remember from the Bible story? Answers will vary.
  - What is your favorite thing God made in the Bible story? Answers will vary.
  - What was the most amazing, wonderful thing God created? People, men and women, humans Adam and Eve, 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

- Show the verse on the back of this guide to your group and say it together with motions.
- 2. What do you think is amazing and wonderful about how God made you? Answers will vary.

## Review the point and talk about it.

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

- 1. **Recite** the point together.
- 2. What does the word "reflect" make you think of? Answers will vary. Ideas: Copy, show the same thing, look alike, mirror, etc.

## Ask open questions and let kids talk.

- 1. Who is made in God's image? Every single person
- 2. If someone wanted to be close friends with Jesus, what would you tell them to do? Trust and believe in Jesus, pray, read the Bible, sing to Jesus, think about Jesus, talk about Jesus, tell Jesus they love Him, etc.
- 3. What do you think about when you hear someone say, "Look like Jesus?" Answers will vary. Ideas: Show love to God and others, act the way Jesus would act, ask Jesus to help you show people what He is like, etc.
- 4. Share some good things you do to show other people what Jesus is like. 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 making us in Your image. Please help us stay close to Jesus. 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.

