

# Hang on Loop for the Loop

1 Week Only / 30-Second Theology



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Small Group Leaders Lead

## Small Group Icebreaker (8 min.)

- **Introduce** yourself. **Welcome** students by name. **Check in** with them to see how they're doing.
- **Ask** students to share one fun thing and/or one not-so-fun thing that happened this week.
- Icebreaker: **What do you think is the most annoying commercial? Any commercials or ads you love?**

## Welcome (30 sec.)

- Welcome everyone and say our three simple Loop rules: **Respect your leaders. Respect each other. Respect the room.**
- Invite everyone to stand for worship.

## Transition to Episode (30 sec.)

- Get students excited for this week's episode of *The Loop Show*!  
*Today, we'll take a look at popular commercials, feel all the feelings, and have some fun as we check out this special one-week-only message! That's right—it's time for 30-Second Theology!*

## Offering and Announcements (2 min.)

- **Recap** teaching in one sentence.
- **Celebrate** hands raised during the salvation video.
- **Show** the spot where students can give their tithes and offerings.
- **Pray** for tithes and offerings.
- **Say:** 6<sup>th</sup> graders, have you heard about **Switch**? It's our youth ministry for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders on Wednesday nights. You'll worship together, learn about Jesus, make new friends, and have small group time with other Switch students. Talk to our Youth Pastor today to learn how you can join in!
- **Transition** to Activity.

## Activity (10 min.)

### Game Objective

Create the best commercial in your group.

### You'll Need

Commercial Challenge activity sheet (1 per student)  
Set of markers (1 per group)

### Set Up

No additional set up required

### How to Play

**Say:** Commercials are trying to sell you something. We know that. But—as we saw today—some of them can remind us of some pretty cool and godly lessons. Today, you're going to come up with a commercial to sell something you choose. Oh! **And you only get about 5 minutes to come up with an awesome commercial, using the sheet I'll give you.**

1. **Give** each student a Commercial Challenge activity sheet and **place** markers where students can access them.
2. Students fill in the sheet as they desire, **for roughly 5 minutes**, using the markers provided.
3. When time's up, **students share** what they came up with.
4. **Note:** If students don't want to share what they came up with, you could offer to read it for them. But it's okay if they'd rather not share or have you read it!
5. Group **votes** for the commercial they think is the most awesome.
6. Celebrate your winning commercial creator with wild applause!
7. Let group winners present their commercials to the whole room for a final vote and winner! (And, of course, celebrate the grand champion with even more wild applause!)
8. If time allows, students continue to decorate and add to their Commercial Challenge sheets.

## Small Group Discussion (10 min.)

### Today's Main Idea

God gives us good things like wisdom, guidance, and full life.

### Review Today's Big Question

Which commercial had a message you want to focus on?

### Review Today's Bible Verse

- **Locate Bibles** in the room, **look up** the verse together, and **talk about** what's the same and what's different if it's in a different translation.
- John 10:10 NIV** *"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."*
- What's something everyone can learn from this verse?

### More Questions to Keep Your Group Talking

- Have you ever seen a commercial that reminded you of a cool truth from God? If yes, what was it?
- Feel free to discuss each commercial together as a group! See if you can come up with at least one thing you can remember about God's goodness from each one. **Note:** *See the back of this guide for reminders of today's commercials. You do NOT have to read everything to students. Use the points to help jog your group's memory and open up conversation.*
- What's one thing you can start to do differently at home, in your neighborhood, or at your school this week based on one of today's messages?

### Pray Together

Check in with your group. How are they doing? Anything they want to ask or thank God for? Pray together!

## Leader Tip

Show you care by listening—and remembering! Ask about a detail from last week's chat or prayer time. Follow up with students on different growth or personal areas they're working on.



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## Reminders of Today's Commercial Themes

### **Good Wisdom: *Don't Eat Lava*** (Reese's)

- Proverbs 16:25 –Sin looks good, but it leads to death. If you've been looking for some "lava," ask God to help you find something wiser. And if you've messed up, ask God for His forgiveness and help in turning your back on sin.
- *There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.* Proverbs 16:25 NIV

### **Good Work: *Reverse Poem*** (Honda)

- If you've failed at something you attempted, God is still with you. From one perspective, you might see defeat. From another perspective, you might see hope and victory. God is still writing your story. You can make a difference.
- *... being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.* Philippians 1:6 NIV

### **Good Giving: *Nate Has Too Much Money*** (DoorDash)

- Hebrews reminds us not to put our faith in money. It says the most satisfying thing is to put our faith in how God will never fail us and never abandon us. We can take that to the bank.
- *Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."* Hebrews 13:5 NIV

### **Good Word: *Mac Charger*** (Apple)

- Reading the Bible gives us power like a charger. Pick a quiet place and time when you won't be interrupted, then choose one of the books about Jesus' life (Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John) and read small parts slowly.
- *Everything written in the past was written to teach us. The Scriptures give us strength to go on. They encourage us and give us hope.* Romans 15:4 NIRV

### **Good Life: *Real Life for Everyone*** (Gold Peak Tea)

- When you're not sure what's real, you can trust God. His love is real and it's for everyone. He sent Jesus so we can have life in the fullest possible way.
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