



## UPPER ELEMENTARY

### WEEK 4- STARTER



#### Activity Name: Boom, Clap, Snatch

#### What You Need:

- Heart cutouts or foam hearts

#### What You Do:

- Encourage two kids to sit facing each other, about an arm's length apart.
- Place a foam heart on the floor between them.
- Explain you are going to play “Boom, Clap, Snatch.”
- Explain that when you say “Boom” everyone should slap the floor/table.
- Explain that when you say “Clap” everyone should clap once.
- Explain that when you say “Snatch” everyone should try to grab the heart.
- The kid who grabs the heart first, wins!
- Begin the game by calling out a command (Boom, Clap, or Snatch)
- The kids must do the action you call out.
- If a kid snatches the heart when you didn't say, “Snatch,” the other kid wins.
- Let the winners compete with one another.

#### What You Say:

That game takes some serious focus and quick reflexes! You have to be ready to act when the moment is right. In our story today, we'll see Jesus act with love and power to help two people who were in desperate need. Let's go hear about it!

**Lead your group to the Large Group area.**



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### WEEK 4- SMALL GROUP

### Discussion Questions:

- Jesus stopped to help the woman even though He was already on His way to heal Jairus' daughter. What does that tell you about what's important to Jesus—and how can that change the way you think about interruptions in your own life?
- The woman who touched Jesus' clothes had been suffering for 12 years. Why do you think Jesus wanted her to come forward and tell her story instead of just letting her be healed in secret?
- When people told Jairus his daughter was dead, Jesus said, *"Don't be afraid. Just believe"* (Mark 5:36 NIV). What do you think it means to "just believe" when everything feels hopeless or scary?
- Both the woman and Jairus had to push through fear and take a step of faith to reach Jesus. Can you think of a time when you needed to show faith or courage to ask God for help—or to help someone else?
- Jesus made time for people in need, even when others thought it was too late or too small. How can you make time in your own day to notice people who might need love, encouragement, or help?



#### Bible Story

Jesus Heals Jairus's Daughter and a Suffering Woman • Mark 5:21-43

#### Conversation Starter

How can you show love to others?

#### Bottom Line

Jesus shows love to people in need.

#### Monthly Memory Verse

*"I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you."* • John 13:34, NIV

## Activity Name: Love Game

### What You Need:

- Love game Activity page
- Coloring supplies

### What You Do:

- Give each kid a “Love Game” Activity Page.
- Encourage kids to color the sections
- Guide kids through the folding process using the “Love Game Folding Instructions” Activity Page.
- Once it’s folded, encourage the kids to look at the different sections.
- Let them play with the cootie catchers with a partner. One person picks a letter, spells it out as they open and close the cootie catcher, picks a number, counts it out, and then reads the message of love inside.

### What You Say:

These are fun, but they’re also packed with truth! All of these messages point us back to the love of Jesus. In our story, Jesus didn’t just feel sorry for the people in need; He did something about it. He stepped in and showed love in a powerful way. For the woman, Jesus stopped because He wanted to look in her eyes and speak with her. For the girl, He used the Aramaic words, “Talitha koum!” meaning, “Little girl, I say to you, get up!” (Mark 5:41 NIV). This cootie catcher can be a reminder and a tool for you this week to think of ways you can **[Bottom Line] show the love of Jesus to people in need.**

### **\*\*Close in Prayer\*\***

*(Inclusive Pro-Tips: Folding cootie catchers can be tricky. Work through it step-by-step as a group and be ready to offer individual help. Pairing kids up can also be very effective.)*

**KEEP GROUP TOGETHER UNTIL PICK UP**