



SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Be the Church • Week 1 • Body of Christ



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5 min

Countdown Timer

Start video when experience begins • Tidy room • Get into a small group with your kids



3 min

Small Group Welcome

Get kids talking • Help each kid in your small group feel seen and heard

- **Introduce** yourself and **welcome** kids by name.
- **Catch up** on prayer requests and life events.
- **Talk about** welcome question: **If you had to pick, would you rather be a mouth or an eyeball?**



1 min

Theme Song

Sing and dance along • Encourage your small group to join in



30 sec

Emcee Intro Konnection

Focus your small group on emcee



1 min

Rules Video

Focus your small group on video • Encourage kids to count out and say each rule with video



30 sec

Emcee Giving Konnection

Focus your small group on emcee



90 sec

Offering Teaching Video

Focus your small group on the video • Follow campus procedure to collect offering



1 min

Worship Teaching Video

Focus your small group on video • Stand with your kids when video prompts you to



≈ 6 min

Worship Music Videos

Sing and dance along • Encourage your small group to join in

- Get to Give

- For Your Glory



30 sec

Emcee Activity Konnection

Focus your small group on emcee



9 min

Small Group Activity

Have fun doing activity with your small group

You'll Need

Per Kid	Nothing
Per Group	1 6' strip of butcher paper 1 Set of markers

After Activity

Kids Keep	Nothing
You Keep	Markers (save to reuse)

To Do

Say: When we choose to follow Jesus, we're part of the body of Christ—God's Church. We each have something special to share with the world to show God's love, like each body part has something special to do to keep the body healthy.

1. **Draw** a simple, large outline of a clothed person on the butcher paper. Make it big enough to stretch the length of your paper. *See example sketch on back.*
2. **Label** the picture, "Body of Christ—The Church."
3. Kids **choose** a different job in the Body of Christ from the first column of the Body of Christ activity supplement on the back of this guide.
4. Kids **draw** or **write** one way a person can do the job they selected in (or near) the area of the body that corresponds with it. **Example:** *Where eyes go, draw a picture of someone being kind and merciful.*
5. **If time allows**, kids **decorate** and **color** their "Body of Christ."



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Emcee Point Konnection

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≈ 20 min

Konnnect HQ Teaching Show

Focus your small group on video as you watch it together



1 min

Konnnect HQ ABCs

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Emcee Wrap-Up Konnection

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≈ 10 min

Small Group Talk & Prayer

Get kids talking • Pray with your small group • Build relationships

Review the Point: The Church is everyone who follows Jesus.

Review the Verse: *Find Bibles in room. Look up verse together. **Talk about** what's different and/or the same if in-room Bible is a different translation.*

1 Corinthians 12:27 NIV Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

- What do you like about this Bible verse?

Choose a Question to Get Your Group Talking

- What do you think it would be like if everyone in God's Church did the same job?
- What do you think it would be like if everyone in God's Church decided NOT to do their special job?
- If a kid isn't sure what their special job is, how do you think they can figure it out?
- If you choose to follow Jesus, you are a part of the Body of Christ! What job would you like to try to do to serve others?

Wrap Up

- **Pray** together.
- **Do** the small group activity again or **play** a game like *Rock, Paper, Scissors* or *I Spy*.

Leader Tip

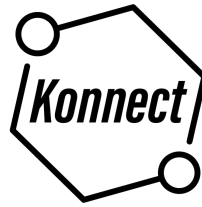
Try extending and encouraging discussions with follow-up statements like, "That's interesting! Tell me more."



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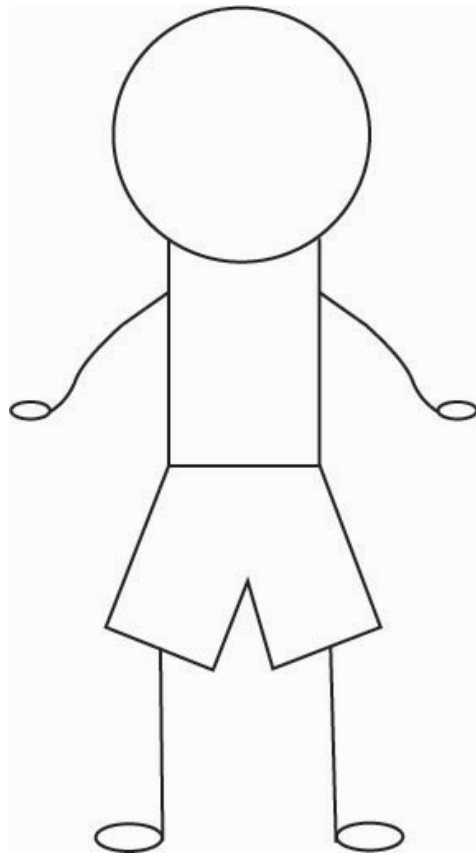
Check Out

Greet parents • Praise kids • Stay in small group until check out ends



BODY OF CHRIST ACTIVITY SUPPLEMENT BE THE CHURCH // WEEK 1 // BODY OF CHRIST

**Example Sketch to Draw on
Your Butcher Paper:**



Body of Christ Jobs to Write or Draw	Where to Write or Draw the Jobs
Having mercy on people	Where the eyes would go
Sharing God's message	Where the mouth would go
Teaching	Where the brain would go
Leading others	Where the right foot would go
Being a missionary	Where the left foot would go
Making people feel welcome	Where the stomach would go
Encouraging others	Where the lungs would go
Giving	Where the right hand would go
Helping	Where the left hand would go
Healing people	Where the heart would go
Listening	Where the left ear would go
Knowing what's true and what's not	Where the nose would go
Praying	Where the knees would go
Big faith and trust in God	Where the neck would go
Understanding God's Word	Where the right ear would go



SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Be the Church • Week 2

Brothers and Sisters Love One Another



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Small Group Welcome

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- **Introduce** yourself and **welcome** kids by name.
- **Catch up** on prayer requests and life events.
- **Talk about** welcome question: **What do you think is the best part of having a brother or a sister?**



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Worship Teaching Video

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- I Believe
- For Your Glory



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Emcee Activity Konnection

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9 min

Small Group Activity

Have fun doing activity with your small group

You'll Need

Per Kid	1 1 John 4:7 activity sheet 2 Adhesive magnets
Per Group	1 Set of markers

After Activity

Kids Keep	Their activity sheet
You Keep	Markers (save to reuse)

To Do

Say: When we choose to follow Jesus, we're a part of God's family—the Church! He fills us with His love, and He wants us to share it with all our brothers and sisters in His Church! Let's make a magnet you can take home and hang up somewhere to remind you to do that.

1. **Give** each kid a 1 John 4:7 activity sheet.
2. Kids **draw** or **write** ways to show God's love to their brothers and sisters in Christ in the blank area under the verse on the sheet. If kids get stuck, offer suggestions. **Examples:** *helping, giving, praying together, laughing together, sharing, encouraging, comforting, visiting someone who's sick, etc.*
3. **Help** kids stick 2 magnets on the back of their sheet: one at the top, and one at the bottom.
4. **Encourage** kids to take it home and ask permission to hang it somewhere they'll see it often, like on their refrigerator or their locker at school.
5. **If time allows**, kids further **decorate** their magnet sheets with markers.



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Emcee Wrap-Up Konnection

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Small Group Talk & Prayer

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Review the Point: We're all sisters and brothers, so let's love one another.

Review the Verse: **Find Bibles** in room. **Look up** verse together. **Talk about** what's different and/or the same if in-room Bible is a different translation.

1 John 4:7 NIV Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. ...

- What does this Bible verse mean to you?
- **Choose a Question to Get Your Group Talking**
- How are you good at showing God's love to others?
- What do you think it would be like if we choose not to show God's love to others?
- If someone said they felt left out at church, what do you think would help them?
- Try to name as many people who are your sisters and brothers in God's Church.

Wrap Up

- **Pray** together.
- **Do** the small group activity again or **play** a game like Thumb Wars or Telephone.

Leader Tip

Want a great way to show up in the everyday lives of the kids in your group? Write a LifeKids postcard to at least one kid from your group before you leave each week. Your LifeKids team can address it, stamp it, and send it!



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Be the Church • Week 3
So Many Neighbors



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- **Talk about** welcome question: **What do you think you'd need to make the perfect plate of nachos?**



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- For Your Glory



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9 min

Small Group Activity

Have fun doing activity with your small group

You'll Need

Per Kid	Nothing
Per Group	1 Muslin doll 1 Bandage Labels sheet

After Activity

Kids Keep	Nothing
You Keep	Muslin doll (save to reuse)

To Do

1. **Show** kids the doll.
- Say:** Let's pretend this doll is our neighbor. They need help! They're sick, hungry, cold, hurt, and need a friend to talk to. Let's say today's Point together to remind us what to do.
2. **Say** the point together: **Good neighbors care, share, and they're always there.**
3. **Give** each kid a label marked with a "♥" from the first column of the bandage labels sheet. If you have extra labels, give kids more than one.
4. Kids **pass** the doll around to **stick** the bandages onto the doll to **spell out** the point.
5. **Remove** labels from the doll, and **repeat** the game with the labels marked with a "♦" from the second column of the bandage labels sheet, but **time** kids with a timer on your phone or by counting.
6. **If time allows, repeat** the game with labels marked with a "♣" from the third column. **Challenge** kids to beat their previous time.



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Small Group Talk & Prayer

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Review the Point: Good neighbors care, share, and they're always there.

Review the Verse: *Find Bibles in room. Look up verse together. Talk about what's different and/or the same if in-room Bible is a different translation.*

Luke 10:27 NLT ... "You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind." And, "Love your neighbor as yourself."

- Close your eyes and listen to the Bible verse. What does this Bible verse make you think about?

Choose a Question to Get Your Group Talking

- Name as many people as you can think of. They're all your neighbors!
- What do you think it takes to be a good neighbor?
- Share a time someone was a good neighbor to you.
- How can you be a good neighbor if a kid acts mean?

Wrap Up

- **Pray** together.
- **Do** the small group activity again or **play** a game like Charades or Duck, Duck, Goose.

Leader Tip

Next week is Fall Fest! Encourage your group to invite friends to come with them—and to be ready to welcome others and make new friends next week!



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