

# Hang on the Loop for the

Durable Faith  
Week 1 / Long-Lasting Faith



Emcee Leads

Small Group Leaders Lead

## Small Group Icebreaker (5 min.)

- **Introduce** yourself. **Welcome** students by name. **Check in** with them to see how they're doing.
- **Ask** students what their week would be if it were a video game: Level 1, Level 10 Boss Fight, or somewhere in between.
- Icebreaker: **If you wanted to build the world's most durable house, how would you make it?**

## 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*!  
*Worshiping with you all is the best. You're all pretty solid. And I know something else that's always full of solid fun: The Loop Show! Are you ready to watch it with me? Let's count down! In 3 ... 2 ... 1!*

## 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:** Who can you think of who might like to join you at Loop next week? **Invite** them! Loop's always more fun with more friends. We'd love to see them here with you next week.
- **Transition** to Activity.

## Activity (10 min.)

### Game Objective

Draw things about God that *can't* be seen using invisible ink and things that *can* be seen about God with visible ink.

### You'll Need

Invisible ink pens (1 per student)  
Sheet of paper (1 per student)  
Set of markers (1 per group)

### Set Up

No additional set up required

### How to Play

1. **Give** students a sheet of paper and an invisible ink pen.

**Say:** There are some things about God that we can't possibly see with human eyes or feel with human hands. We can experience them, though, and we know they're real. **Who can think of some examples?**

2. **Brainstorm** examples of godly things that can't be seen or experienced with the typical five senses.

**Ideas:** love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, self-control, the ability to find humor, hope, honesty, the ability to have faith in God in the first place, etc.

3. Students **draw or write** one or two things **in the center of their paper** that are real about God that can't be seen **using invisible ink**. *They can use the light on the end of the pen to help them see what they're drawing as they work.*
4. **Brainstorm** examples of ways we can see and even tangibly feel God at work among us and through us!

**Ideas:** smiles of joy, acts of serving others, saying encouraging words to others, being a good friend, caring for God's creatures, caring for God's creation, etc.

5. **Place** markers where students can access them.
6. Students **draw or write (with markers)** examples of godly things that can be seen and experienced with the typical five senses **in the area around where they drew with invisible ink**.
7. **Students** share their drawings with one another, shining their light to reveal the invisible things about God and talking about ways we can see God at work among us and through us in their marker drawings.

## Small Group Discussion (10 min.)

### Today's Main Idea

Faith starts with believing, and God is seen when our lasting faith reflects Him.

### Review Today's Big Question

How do you know God is real if you've never seen Him?

### 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.

**Hebrews 3:14 NLT** *For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.*

- How hard do you think it would be to trust God firmly every day of your life?

### More Questions to Keep Your Group Talking

- What stood out to you the most from today's *Loop Show*? What's one thing you learned?
- Today, we drew things that are real even though they can't be experienced with the five senses. Which invisible aspect of God and His goodness do you like the most? How can you see this invisible trait in action?
- If someone said your family didn't exist, you'd bring them to your home and make some introductions. If someone tells you that faith in God isn't real, what would you tell them about how you've experienced, learned from, or been blessed by God?
- What can you do if you have a time when your trust feels weaker? Think of one person you can talk with when you need help strengthening your faith.

### Pray Together

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

### Leader Tip

Do you ever feel like you could use a little help understanding your Loopsters? Want to brush up on best practices for leading well in Loop? Check out the Loop page on [www.leaders.life.church](http://www.leaders.life.church) for all the Loop training and general leader training you could ever want!

**No activity supplement needed for this week.**

# Hang on for the Loop

Durable Faith  
Week 2 / Elastic Faith



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## Small Group Icebreaker (5 min.)

- **Introduce** yourself. **Welcome** students by name. **Check in** with them to see how they're doing.
- **Ask** your students to rate their past week on a scale of 1-5 stars, and ask why they rated it that way.
- Icebreaker: **What is the stretchiest thing you can think of?**

## 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*!  
*On this week's Loop Show, we're talking about stretching our faith. What kind of wackiness will Ricky and Jayme get into? Let's find out right now!*

## 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, if you're having fun in Loop, ask your small group leader what it means to be a **Student Leader**!
- **Transition** to Activity.

## Activity (10 min.)

### Game Objective

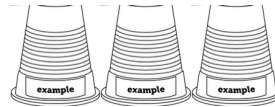
Race to collect and stack cups to correctly spell out today's Bible verse in a verse pyramid!

### You'll Need

Hebrews 3:14 labels (1 strip of 10 labels per group)  
Plastic cups (10 per group)

### Set Up

1. Place your group's 10 cups upside down and **stick** one verse label (to create today's Hebrews 3:14 verse) on each cup so it can be read while cup is upside down. (Like example image below.)



2. Keep each group's 10 cups separate from others, so each group will have all the words from today's verse on their cups.

### How to Play

**Say:** We're learning that when our faith is tested and stretched, it grows stronger. Let's play a game where we'll build a firm tower that helps us remember today's verse about building a life of firm faith!

3. **Line up** groups at one end of your room.
4. **Stack** each group's 10 verse cups, in random order, on the other side of the room.
5. **Read** today's verse to refresh everyone's memory:

**Hebrews 3:14** *For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.*

6. On your word, students **race**, one at a time, to get a cup and bring it back to their group.
7. **Repeat** this until all 10 cups have been brought back to the group.
8. Once all cups are back, groups **stack cups in order**, starting with the verse reference, to **create a verse pyramid**. (See back for example.)
9. First group to make the pyramid correctly, wins!
10. Reset and play again if time allows.

## Small Group Discussion (10 min.)

### Today's Main Idea

Your faith will be tested, but stretching makes your faith stronger.

### Review Today's Big Question

What do you do with doubt?

### 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.

**Hebrews 3:14 NLT** *For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.*

- Which part of this verse stands out the most to you—especially when it comes to having faith that can stand up to some testing and stretching?

### More Questions to Keep Your Group Talking

- What stood out to you the most from today's *Loop Show*? What's one thing you learned?
- Why do you think some people lose their faith in God when they go through hard times?
- What is it about going through hard times that can actually make faith stronger?
- Do you think you handle your doubts in a healthy way or in a way that could use some improvement? Talk about your answer a bit.
- Who can you contact this week to be a mentor for you whenever you have questions about your faith?

### Pray Together

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

## Leader Tip

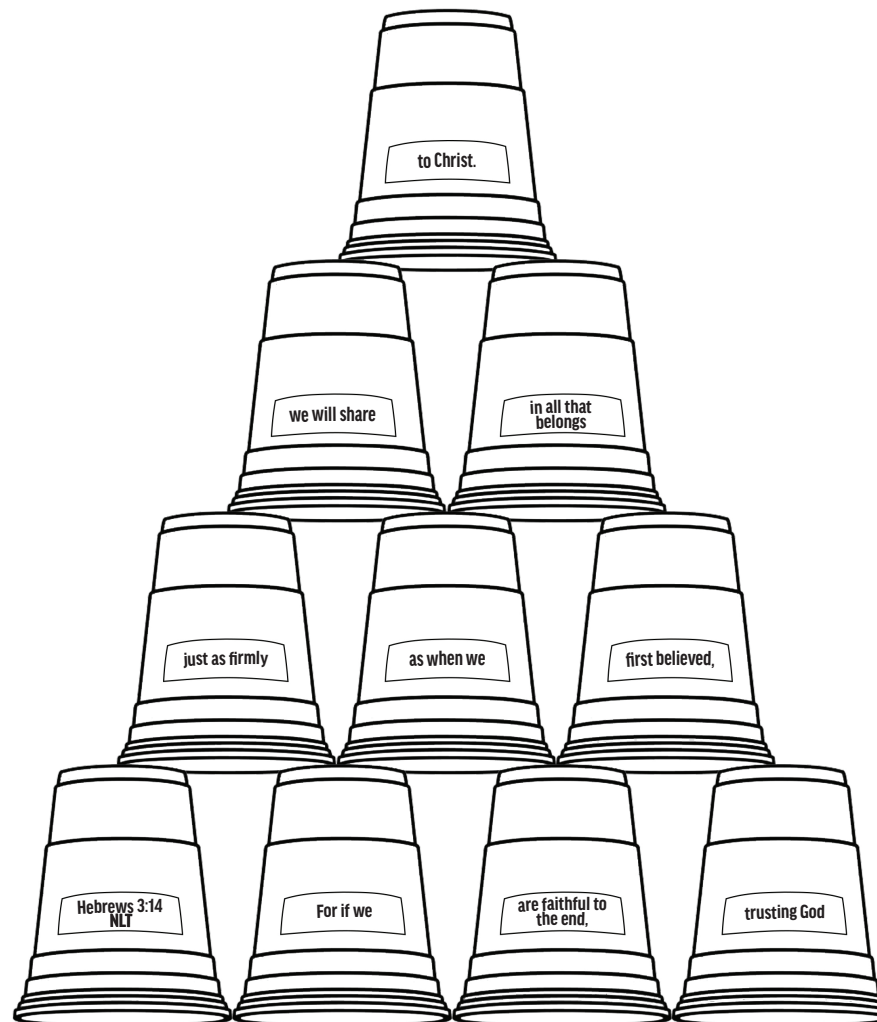
Celebrate small wins! Whether it's showing up three weeks in a row, memorizing a verse, or sharing a prayer request, let your Loopsters know you notice and it matters.



# Loop

## Hebrews 3:14 Verse Pyramid

**Note:** Give students hints and reminders of the verse as needed. You can show them this picture if they get really stuck!



# Hang on the Loop for the

Durable Faith  
Week 3 / Free-Fall Faith



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Small Group Leaders Lead

## Small Group Icebreaker (5 min.)

- **Introduce** yourself. **Welcome** students by name. **Check in** with them to see how they're doing.
- **Ask:** If you had a magic remote, which part of your week would you want to replay?
- Icebreaker: **What's the coolest skateboarding trick you can think of—or that you've ever seen in real life?**

## 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*!  
*I wonder if today's Loop Show has anything to do with skateboarding! And if yes, what will it have to do with putting our faith in action? Only one way to find out. Count down with me: Loop Show in 3 ... 2 ... 1 ...*

## 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 and when you can join in!
- **Transition** to Activity.

## Activity (10 min.)

### Activity Objective

Design your own skateboard after you write down one thing God is calling you to step out in faith and do.

### You'll Need

DIY Skateboard activity sheet (1 per student)  
Markers (1 set per group)

### Set Up

No additional set up required

### How to Play

**Say:** On today's *Loop Show*, we learned a lot about putting our faith in action by stepping out in faith to do what we believe God is nudging us to do. Now, you get to design your own skateboard to help you remember to do just that!

1. **Give** each student a DIY Skateboard activity sheet.
2. **Place** markers where all students can access them.
3. **Help students** fill in the "Nudge" and "Drop In" sections of the activity sheet.

### Ideas for things God might nudge students to do in faith:

- Help a family member
  - Ask to take on a new chore
  - Talk to someone you know who's lonely or in a stressful situation
  - Clean up an area that needs it
  - Help a neighbor
  - Read to a younger sibling
4. Students leave the "Other Side" portion empty. They can fill that lesson in later after they've dropped in and followed through on the nudge they felt from God.
  5. **Students design** their own skateboard with words, drawings, or whatever they like using markers provided.
  6. **Students share** their designs with one another if desired and as time allows.

## Small Group Discussion (10 min.)

### Today's Main Idea

When you believe God is in control, anything is possible.

### Review Today's Big Question

How can you put your faith into action?

### 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.  
**Hebrews 3:14 NLT** *For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.*
- What do you think God might want to teach you, specifically, through this Bible verse?

### More Questions to Keep Your Group Talking

- What stood out to you the most from today's *Loop Show*? What's one thing you learned?
- What do you think it looks like to put your faith into action throughout an entire lifetime? Do you know anyone like that? If yes, what are they like?
- Think about what you wrote in the "nudge" and "drop in" parts of your skateboard sheet. What do you think God could teach you on the other side of putting that step of faith into action? What do you hope will happen through your step of faith?
- What can you do if you want to help with something that seems too big to tackle by yourself?

### Pray Together

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

## Leader Tip

Pray for your Loopsters by name this week. Even if you just whisper a one-sentence prayer, God hears it—and it softens your heart toward them, too.

**No activity supplement needed for this week.**