





Discussion Guide

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Main Idea

Buddy the elf may be different than all the other elves, but he was chosen and special. You are special as well and we have been chosen by God for a good purpose.

God made you to be unique on Purpose

Never view your differences as gaps in your ability to belong but as strengths (ACCELERATORS) in your capacity to shine His light. You have to care more about His heart than others opinions to understand why He made you.

In what way(s) do you feel you are different from others? What have you felt is the purpose of your life?

Read: Ephesians 2:10; Romans 2:6, 12:2; Psalm 139:14

God desires that you would simply desire to be more like Him.

No matter how difficult life appears, or how complicated it seems, God already has things all figured out. HE IS THE SOLUTION.

In what ways can you become more like Jesus? Where can you find joy in the process? Read: Matthew 18:3; Romans 8:28

Love people like Jesus loves you.

When we love FROM the love of Jesus, we find ourselves empowered to truly be the hands and feet of Jesus to a world in desperate need of HIM.

Who are some people in need of God's love through you? What will you do to demonstrate His love this Christmas?

Read: Isaiah 54:10

When you know Jesus is with you, and Jesus is for you, PEACE will overshadow you.

God loves each of us and we see the evidence of His love all around us. Faith is everything! Your faith will dictate your dreams, your decisions, your hope, and ultimately your joy!

Where does your faith need to grow? Read: Hebrews 11:1-6; Romans 10:17

SUMMARY

Amid the hustle and bustle of our day-to-day, and with the very real concerns and commitments that come with being a contributing member of modern society, it is only when we position our hearts, slowing down enough to investigate the story of this Jesus through studying the Bible, that we will start to find our faith begin to grow.

CALL TO ACTION

- 1. Spend
- 2. Talk with your family
- 3. Consider all the options (<u>HC Groups</u>, <u>Dream Team</u>, <u>Serve projects</u>) of not just living in the house but doing life with the family.
- 4. Register to serve at our Hope For Christmas project. Click HERE

GROUP LEADER RESOURCE

Game: Blind Fold Christmas Drawing

First, grab some paper plates and markers. Players are blindfolded and hold their paper plates on top of their heads. One person gives drawing instructions while everyone else tries to draw the Christmas scene they describe onto the plate. The most accurate drawing wins!