

THE ULTIMATE GOAL

	Part 1 / Day 1	Part 2 / Day 2	Part 3 / Day 3	Part 4 / Day 4	Part 5 / Day 5
Theme	OUR HOPES AND DREAMS	OUR WAY OR GOD'S WAY?	GOD CARES	GOD FORGIVES	THE ULTIMATE GOAL
Challenge	Live out God's dream for your life.	Don't get tricked into doing your own thing.	Let God take care of your problems.	Ask Jesus to forgive you and set you free.	Keep your eyes on Jesus.
Lesson	God has a unique plan for your life. He has made you the way you are in order to perfectly fulfill His purpose in, and through, you.	We have all strayed and gone our own way. Our sin separates us from God.	God loves us even when we have done bad things or feel far from Him. He cares about us and is interested in every detail of our lives.	Jesus wants to forgive us no matter what we've done. His blood makes us clean. We must stop doing wrong and live for Him.	God has a unique purpose for our lives. He has given us abilities and gifts to help others and glorify Him.
Scripture passage/s	Samson rebels	Jonah runs away	A widow is helped	A father forgives	Two team members trust God
	Judges 14:1-3, 16:4-6, 15-30	Jonah 1 - 2	1 Kings 17:10-16	Luke 15:11-24	Num 13:1-2, 13:17-14:9, Jos 1:1-9
Memory Verse	Philippians 2:13 (NLT)	Isaiah 53:6a (NIV)	1 Peter 5:7 (GNV)	1 John 1:9 (NIV)	Philippians 3:14 (NIV)
	For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.	We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way.	Leave all your worries with him, because he cares for you.	If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins.	I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.
Connection	a) Identify with the dreams and aspiration of kids. b) Connect with where they're at socially and spiritually.	a) We have all been in trouble at some stage. Explain the difference between a mistake (like losing or forgetting something) and sin, which is deliberate disobedience. b) Kids need to know that they are not the only ones who mess up, even if it seems like it—adults do as well.	a) Assure each child that God loves him/her more than anyone could love them. b) God accepts each of us just as we are. We don't have to prove ourselves, pass a test or be good at something.	a) The wrong things we've done make us feel guilty. (Examples will help children recall that feeling). b) If we keep doing the same bad things, they eventually become habits that control us. (Maybe someone they know has gotten into some bad habits).	Each child is special—whatever his/her ability, or lack thereof. Each of us has the opportunity to be a winner—to wear the victor's crown for all eternity.