

Day 5


Opening Celebration



Singing Review


Sing favorite songs as a review, and encourage everyone to join in. You won't have time to sing all of these songs, but here are ones to choose from:


 **Jesus had a family...we do too.**


 **CD Track 1** "God With Us"

 **CD Track 3** "Nothing Is Impossible (Luke 1:37)"


 **Jesus had a name...we do too.**

 **CD Track 2** "Beautiful One"


 **CD Track 4** "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"


 **CD Track 5** "Jesus Messiah"


 **Jesus had a home...we do too.**

 **CD Track 6** "Big House"


 **Jesus went to church...we do too.**

 **CD Track 7** "Great Things!"

 **CD Track 8** "You Are My All in All"

 **CD Track 9** "Fairest Lord Jesus"

 **Jesus served others...we do too.**

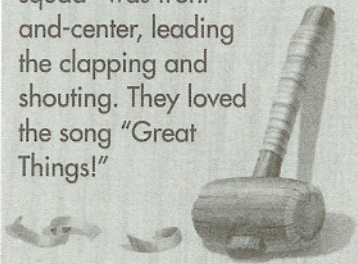
 **CD Track 10** "You Gave (John 14:19b)"

Notes From Nazareth

Get with the Hometown Nazareth Director to make sure Tribe supply baskets are stocked with two God Sightings Sheep. Tribes will need a God Sightings Sheep for their opening as well as their closing Hometown Huddles. Also, make sure each Tribe has enough iGrow Charts so they can send one chart home with each Tribe member.

Field Test Findings

The "hometown cheer squad" was front-and-center, leading the clapping and shouting. They loved the song "Great Things!"



1. Welcome everyone.

Play the *Celebration Music* CD as kids and adults sign in. When you're ready to begin, gather the Tribes.



CD Track 1

Encourage everyone to join in singing "God With Us." (Words and motions are on page 48.)

Say: **We've had such a wonderful week in Hometown Nazareth—where Jesus was a kid! We've learned so many great things. Let's sing "Great Things!" to celebrate.**




CD Track 7

Lead everyone in singing "Great Things!" (Words and motions are on page 55.)

2. Sing "You Are My All in All."

Ask everyone what they learned yesterday in Hometown Nazareth. Get several responses.


Say: Yesterday we learned that  **Jesus went to church...we do too! Jesus wanted to be close to God. Jesus loved God, and Jesus love us. Through Jesus' sacrifice for us, God saved us so we can live forever with him. Let's sing our thanks to Jesus—our all in all! Let's sing the song our special way, in two parts.**



CD Track 8

Form two groups, and assign them Part 1 or Part 2. Lead everyone in singing "You Are My All in All." (Words and motions are on page 56.)

3. Tell about the day's events.

Say: **Today is our last day in Hometown Nazareth—where Jesus was a kid. Mary will tell us about a joyful celebration when Jesus did a miracle. Mary knew Jesus was special and that he loved to serve.  Jesus served others...we do too!**

Open the Bible. Today's Bible verse is Galatians 5:13: "Serve one another in love."

Teach Tribe members these actions to help them remember the Bible verse. Have everyone hold both hands out as if serving a tray for "Serve one another," and have them hug a neighbor for "in love."



“Serve one another...”

“...in love.”

4. Ask about God Sightings.

Say: You wonderful people have been God Sightings to me all week long. Motion toward the pasture and flock of God Sightings Sheep. **Look at how our flock has grown. Look at all these God Sightings!**

Ask how everyone saw God in action after they left ancient Nazareth yesterday, and get several responses.

Say: When you meet with your Tribe, you'll *all* get to share God Sightings and add another sheep to the flock in the pasture. Then as you experience your day in Nazareth, watch for other God Sightings. In your closing Hometown Huddle, you'll share these and add one more God Sightings Sheep to the pasture. What a *beautiful* pasture! What a *beautiful* flock of God Sightings Sheep. Let's sing a *beautiful* song of praise to our active God, who is all around us. Let's sing—can you guess which song?—“Beautiful One”!

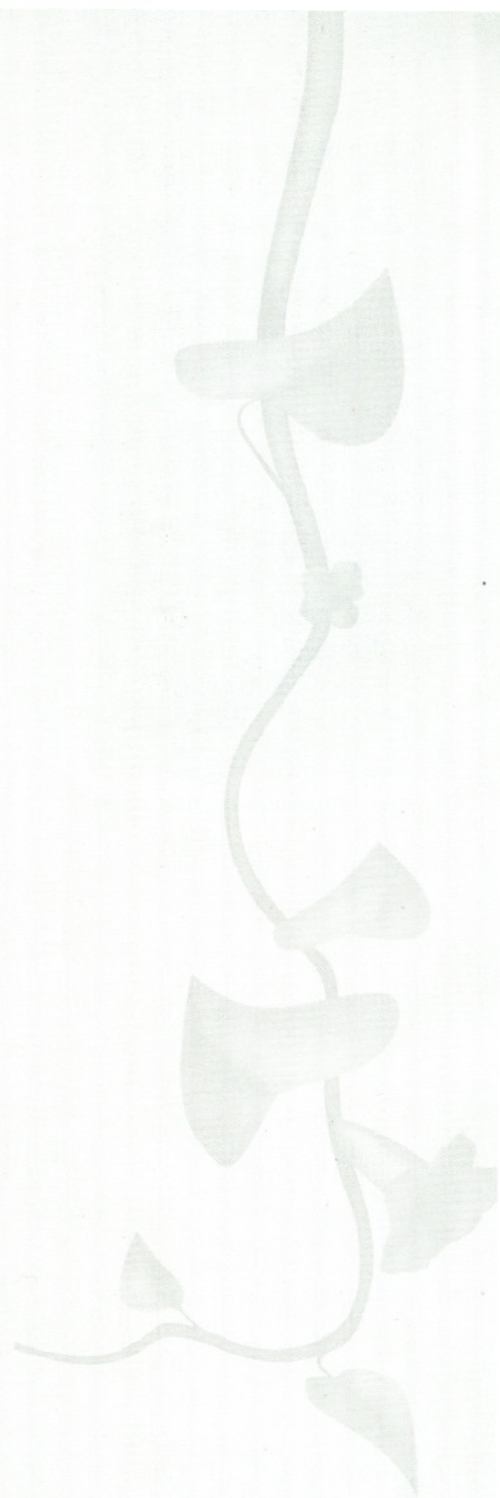


CD Track 2


Lead everyone in singing “Beautiful One.” (Words and motions are on page 50.)

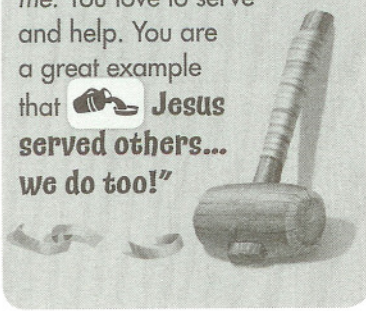
5. Remind everyone about Tribe cheers.

Say: I have been blessed getting to know you and your Tribes. Remember that we want to cheer for each other in the closing Celebration. Practice your Tribe cheers sometime today. If a Tribe has created a cheer already, ask them to show everyone now. It'll be motivation for cheering at the closing Celebration.




Field Test Findings

One little girl loved to help the Celebration Leader so much. She told the Celebration Leader that the Leader was a God Sighting. The Celebration Leader said, "You are a God Sighting to me. You love to serve and help. You are a great example that  Jesus served others... we do too!"



6. Tell everyone about Operation Kid-to-Kid™.

Say: Today we'll learn that  Jesus served others...we do too! You will be serving others through Operation Kid-to-Kid. Sometime during this week, you decorated a special backpack and Bible bookmark in the Dye Shop to give to needy children. Bring those items to the closing Celebration, and we'll present them as an offering! Everyone who receives the gifts will know that Jesus loves them.

7. Head to Hometown Huddles.

Say: You have one more day in Hometown Nazareth—where Jesus was a kid. Keep showing Jesus' love to everyone you meet. Invite people to the closing Celebration.

- ➔ Ask a child to pray.
- ➔ Give announcements, and remind Tribes to work on their cheers.
- ➔ Remind Tribes that when they hear the Shepherd's Bell, they'll know it's time for their trip to Hometown Nazareth.
- ➔ Play the *Celebration Music* CD in the background during Hometown Huddle time.

