

IT'S JUST A

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ELEMENTARY



Calvary Kids - Elementary Ministry

Calvary Kids operates in a fun, friendly small group environment during Sunday church service times. Our group leaders interact with kids in Biblical discussions & activities that are engaging and age-appropriate. Calvary Kids is divided into two age groups: 1st - 2nd grade and 3rd -5th grade.

ENGAGE

Engage the interests of elementary-aged children.

Here are three questions that all elementary-aged children are asking:

1. Do I Have Your Attention?

In first grade, a child craves adult attention and approval. When adults demonstrate interest in a kid's progress, kids improve abilities.

2. Do I Have What It Takes?

In second and third grade, a kid wants to know how their abilities compare with peers. When adults praise a kid's persistence and efforts, kids broaden competence.

3. Do I Have Friends?

In fourth and fifth grade, a kid begins to prioritize friends in a new way. When adults make introductions and include peers, kids develop friendships.¹

Don't Miss Your Role

"No one has the potential to influence your son or daughter like you. Yep. That's a lot of pressure. And it can be confusing. You are a mix of teacher, coach, counselor, and friend. So here's a one-sentence job description to keep you focused. . . . ENGAGE their interests. Appeal to your child's curiosity to broaden their knowledge and abilities"²

¹ Ivy, K., (n.d.) 3 Questions Every Elementary Schooler Is Asking Themselves. Retrieved from <http://justaphase.com/3-questions-every-elementary-schooler-is-asking-themselves/>.

² Joiner, R. & Ivy, K., (2016) Don't Miss It: Parent Every Week Like It Counts. Cumming: GA: Orange.