

## The Last Supper: Lesson 1

**SuperTruth:** Jesus humbled Himself and became a servant.

**SuperVerse:** *Though He was God, He did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, He gave up His divine privileges; He took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being.* Philippians 2:6–7a (NLT) (Grades 1–3 may omit v. 7)

**Bible Story:** Matthew 21:1–17; 26:1–30; John 12:1–19; 13:1–17

### LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

#### Game Materials Needed:

- Two large towels—bath towels
- Two large bowls—plastic, wood or metal
- Two shoes
- A plastic, unbreakable tray filled with lots of small, unbreakable items that will roll—such as marbles, crayons or pencils
- Optional: volunteer helpers, such as sixth graders
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

Our Superbook story about The Last Supper will help us learn to be humble and serve others as Jesus did. To be humble means not thinking too highly of yourself and putting others first.

- Select a video to have playing as children enter the Large Group room. Videos are under Resources on the top menu bar.
- In the Superbook adventure, Chris wants his friends to treat him like a rock star when his band is invited to audition for a TV show.

### LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

**Game:** Servant Relay (15 minutes)

**Objective:** *Explore the Superbook story with a game about serving.*

- Jesus humbled Himself to serve His disciples by washing their feet. We must follow Jesus' example and serve others. This is a fun game about how Jesus served His disciples.

**Game Instructions:**

- Divide the children into two teams. A player from both teams will wrap the towels around their waists and walk quickly to the bowl, then get down on their knees as if to wash someone's feet, tap the bottom of the bowl with their hand, stand up, and then walk quickly back and the next player takes a turn.

#### Teaching Materials Needed:

- Superbook Secret Servant Packet
- Pencils
- Scissors for children
- Optional: balloon—medium to large size
- Marker
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

**Teaching:** Heaven to Earth (15 minutes)

**Objective:** *Present how Jesus came into the world to serve.*

- Jesus willingly gave up the privileges He had and emptied Himself!
- Jesus had the ability, before His arrest and crucifixion, to pick back up His privileges and power that He had temporarily emptied Himself of, but He chose not to!
- After His death on the cross, Jesus was resurrected in power and returned to Heaven where He lives with God forever and ever.

**Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (2 minutes)**

- The challenge is to pray and ask God how to humbly serve others and then surprise those people by doing something kind for them. Then, leave behind a Superbook Secret Servant card.

**SuperVerse:** Superbook Motions (5 minutes)

**Objective:** *Memorize the Superverse with a group activity.*

- The SuperVerse says that Jesus willingly left heaven and came to Earth as a human to serve us.
- Read the verse aloud slowly and lead the children in doing the motions together a few times to learn the verse.

**Prayer:** Praise Prayers (5 minutes)

**Objective:** *Communicate with God.*

- The people waved palm branches and laid them in the road as Jesus passed by. They shouted praises to Jesus for all the miracles He had done!
- We have so many reasons to praise Jesus! Let's go around the circle praising God for who He is, what He has done, or what He can and will do!

#### SuperVerse Materials Needed:

- Chalkboard and chalk, or whiteboard/poster board and marker
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

### ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (REFER TO THE LESSON GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS)

#### Prayer Materials Needed:

- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

**Rhythm Game:** Play a game about serving. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min

**Role Play:** Act out various situations with different attitudes. | **Grades 1–6** | 15 min

**Musical Game:** Play a game to review the Bible lesson. | **Grades 1–3** | 10 min

**Bible Study:** Compare an earthly king to our heavenly King. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min