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## **LARGE GROUP INTRO - Pull Apart**

We'll go to the gym to play "Pull Apart." All the boys get in a circle and lock arms or hands. On "go", the girls have to pull the boys apart.

Our number one goal tonight is for groups to decide on what they would like to do for their final group parties.

### **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION**

# HIGH/LOW/GOD THING (15 minutes)

Depending on group size, you might split into even smaller (shepherding) groups for this. Have each student go around and identify a highlight of their week, a low point from their week and where they have seen God show up in their week. This time is to help them see God around them, to celebrate when something goes well and for them to be supported when they have had a rough week. If you're short on time, let them choose one of those three to share.

#### Post-Easter

- 1. What did you/your family do for Easter? Do you have any Easter traditions?
- 2. If someone who'd never heard of Easter asked you what it is, what would you say to them?
- 3. What does Easter mean for you?
- 4. Read Matthew 28:1-10.
  - a. What stands out to you from this passage? What questions do you have?
  - b. In verse 6 the angel says, "he has risen..." meaning Jesus was alive. To people at this time, that meant Jesus was literally alive and walking the earth. For us today, what does it mean to say that Jesus is alive?

## **Final Group Parties**

In two Wednesdays (5/7) we'll be wrapping up the year by having final group parties. Each group is responsible for planning and organizing what they would like to do for their party that evening. It can be something as simple as playing 9-square in the Hub or even something like having a cookout at a group member's house. It's up to your group! Use the remainder of your group time to come up with fun ideas for your group to on May 7<sup>th</sup>. At the bottom of this

### **MATTHEW 28:1-10**

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

<sup>2</sup>There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. <sup>4</sup>The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup> The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." <sup>8</sup> So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

page is a QR code linked to a Google Doc. When your group has come to a decision, have a group leader scan this QR code and fill out the information with your group's plan by the end of the night!

