

## SESSION 3

# Different Homes / Same God



**VERSE:** "For every house is built by someone but the builder of all things is God."

Hebrews 3:4 NIV

**READY: Materials needed:**

- Elizabeth and Stella Meet ZOE book
- Sheet of Paper with line down the middle
- Pencils, crayons
- Legos, building materials (optional)

**SET:** If children have not heard the story Elizabeth and Stella Meet ZOE, read book before proceeding to GO!

**GO:** Welcome back to the TWC detective club. Who remembers the clue we gathered in our notebook for last time? Leader can read or have a student read the clue from last time. While we are waiting for our next clue to come through, we are going to talk about homes today. Look in the book at Elizabeth's home, show children the picture of Stella's home. What is the purpose of our homes? Answers may include: Shelter from weather, a place to gather as a family to eat and sleep. What are some similar or same things that we can see in our homes and Stella's home? Somewhere to sleep, roof, a place to cook, etc... No matter the size of our home or where we live, God's love and protection is the same. Activities: Younger children can draw their house on one side and Stella's house on the other with the protection of God over them. Older students can use Legos to build houses, etc...

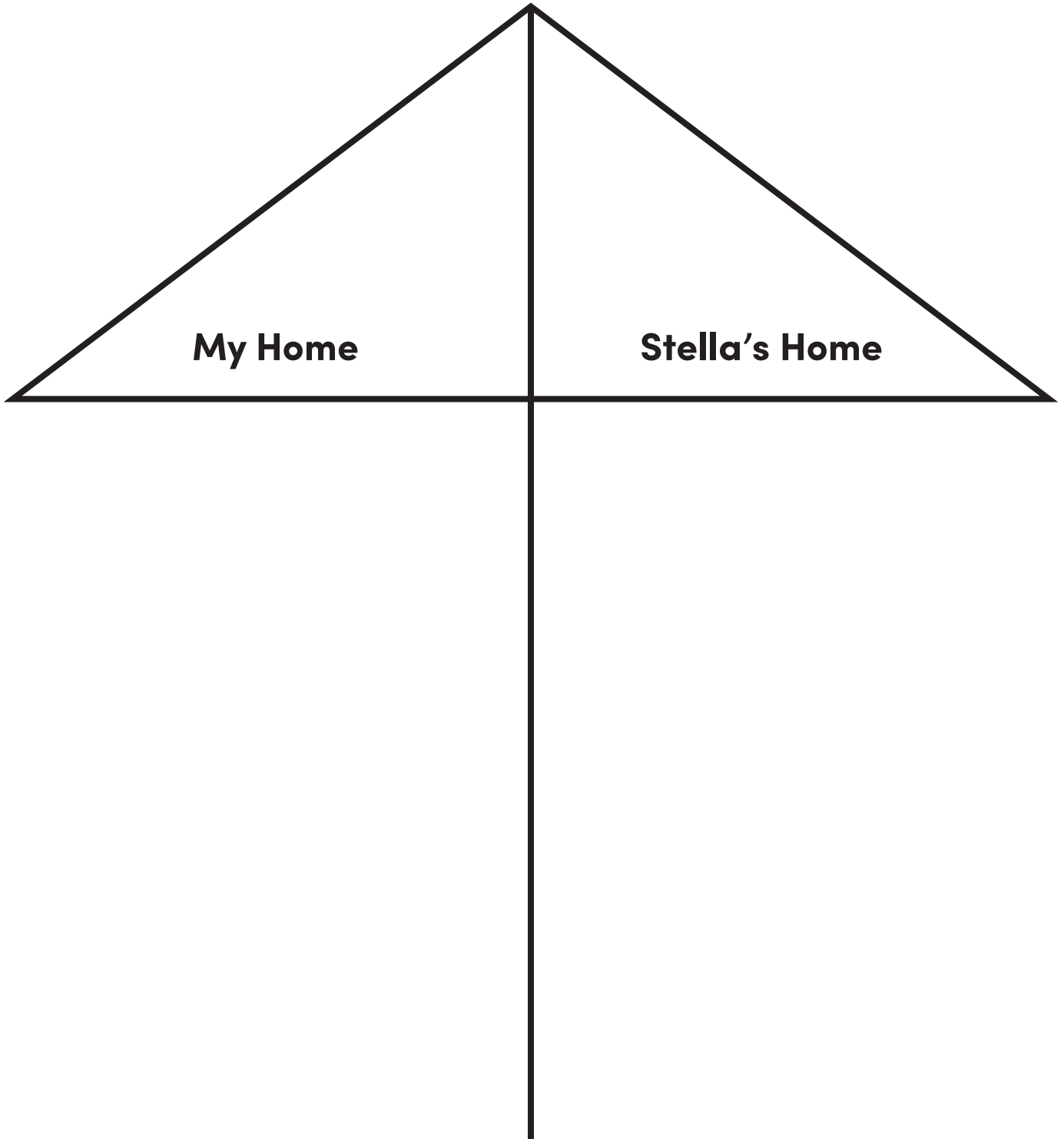
- Leader now read the following clue to the group and have them record it in their detective notebook

**Clue:** Once children enter the Zoe Empowers program, they form empowerment groups which are similar to our clubs at school...or our detective club! Each week the head of the household (usually the oldest sibling) will travel to meet together. The group elects leaders such as president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The group supports each other as they work to learn new skills such as business and farming. The group also works on a large project together such as growing food that they can sell and bring more money into the group. When asked about the group experience most children say, "WE are a family."

**Keyword:** WE

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, today we give thanks to you for our homes that we live in and we pray for children who do not have safe homes to live in. We pray that you would show us how we can help those in need. Amen.

**GOD**



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