

Discipleship

Big Question:

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus?

MEMORY VERSE

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35 NIV

INTRO

Question: If you could be like anyone in the world, who would it be?

My Story: Share a personal story about trying to be like someone else.

BIBLE STORY | THE GIFT OF THE SABBATH

In your own words, tell the story of Jesus calling his first disciples (Luke 5:1-11).

Matthew 4:18-20 | What do you think it might mean to "follow" Jesus?

Explain: A disciple is a follower (or student) of Jesus who is learning to be more like him.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

Matthew 4:23; Luke 9:1-2, 6 | Compare the work of Jesus with the work of his disciples.

How did these disciples know how to do all these things?

What might it look like for us to follow Jesus today?

John 13:34-35 | What did Jesus say is the test to see if someone is a true disciple?

Luke 9:23-24 | What warning does Jesus give to those who want to follow him?

Why would anyone want to be a disciple of Jesus if sometimes it makes life harder?

Matthew 28:16-20 | What was the last instruction that Jesus gave to his disciples?

FUN FACTS

Young kids do most of their learning not by sitting in a classroom but simply by being around their parents. A toddler can pick up new words every day just by listening, and by the time they start school they already know thousands. They copy sayings, habits, and even little quirks without anyone teaching them—just by being with mum and dad. So much of their learning is caught, not taught. In the same way, when we spend time with Jesus—listening to him as we read the Bible, learning his story, and walking with him each day—we gradually become more like him. Often without even realizing it, his love shapes who we are.

LIVING IT

Discuss: What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus?

Decide: Is it your desire to follow Jesus and become more like him every day?



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