

### **MEMORY VERSE:** Revelation 1:3

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

**SONGS:** Click <u>here</u> for Sunday's worship set. *Be sure to subscribe to our channel!* 

#### **TEACHING PASSAGE:**

See the **next page** for any additional resources, including any activities that can be done with young children.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. The word discipleship is never actually used in the Bible, but it is suggested throughout the Old and New Testaments, what does the word mean to you? (John 8:31-32)
- 2. Read Acts 11:26, as a Christian (disciple) why is it important to be discipled (Colossians 1:28-29), and are you allowing yourself to be discipled? (Luke 9:23-24, Acts 18:24-25, Hebrews 3:13, 2 Timothy 2:1-2)
- 3. We have a responsibility as believers in Christ Jesus to disciple others, how does that look in your own family? (Genesis 18:19, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Joshua 4:21-24; 24:15, Proverbs 1:8; 22:6 and Ephesians 6:4)
- 4. Jesus did not intend for Faith in Him to be exclusive (Matthew 28:16-20) where do we receive the ability to disciple others? (Acts 1:8)
- 5. How are we to effectively disciple others? (John 13:34-35 and Romans 10:14-17)

# **Additional Resources**

## For small children:

Say: What is a disciple (noun)?

Gotquestions.org says this, A true Christian (and not one <u>in name only</u>) will have to be a disciple of Christ as well. That is, he has <u>counted the cost</u> and has totally committed his life to following Jesus. He accepts the call to sacrifice and follows wherever the Lord leads. The Christian disciple completely adheres to the teaching of Jesus, makes Christ his number-one priority, and lives accordingly. He is actively involved in making other Christian disciples (<u>Matthew 28:19–20</u>).

What does it mean to disciple (verb)?

Read Matthew 28:19-20

John Piper says it this way regarding Jesus' instruction in Matthew 28, "That is a very long process. That is like a lifetime of process. So, get them converted. Baptize them. And then spend a lifetime teaching them to obey all that Jesus said. That is what the verb "disciple" in the New Testament would include."

Ask: Jesus instructed every one of his disciples to make disciples. Did Jesus include age requirements in his instruction? Did he say do this when you are really mature?

Say: If you are a follower of Jesus then his instruction is for you. Discipleship is a lifelong process. We all need to be discipled and we need to be discipling others.

When and how do we disciple? When, all the time. How, mostly by the way we live our life as a follower of Jesus. There are also times we set aside to help each other grow in our understanding of how to follow Jesus and obey his commands.

Discuss: How does discipleship look in your family? If we all followers of Jesus are called to disciple, what does that look like as the parent? Child? Sibling? Are you being discipled?

Activity: Kids think about ways you can disciple your siblings and your friends. Is there anything that you need to change to be an example of following Jesus and obeying his Commands? What are some ways you can set aside time to help others learn more about following Jesus? Who can you disciple? Who is discipling you? Write down your answers or ask a parent to help on the bottom of the coloring page below.

