

# PREACH THE GOSPEL BINGO

## Materials:

Card stock

Scissors

Pennies, chocolate chips, raisins, or any small objects to place on bingo cards

Optional: plastic sheet protectors and dry-erase markers

The classic game of *Bingo!* gets an overhaul with this Matthew 28 version based on the mission of the Church to preach the gospel of the Kingdom of God to all nations: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you" (verses 19-20).

You will need a minimum of two players: one caller and at least one card player.



- 1. Print pages 3-5 on card stock.
- 2. Cut out the words from page 3. These will become the words used by the caller.
- 3. Cut out a bingo card for each player (cards begin on page 4).

# To play:

- 1. The caller places all words facedown. Choosing one at a time, he or she calls out each word to the players, allowing them time to locate it on their bingo cards.
- 2. For each word that is called by the caller, players place their pennies (or other objects) on their bingo cards.
- 3. A *Bingo!* is any five words in a row across a row, down a column, or along a diagonal. All four corner words plus the middle word is also considered a *Bingo!*
- 4. The first player to complete a Bingo! must call out "Bingo!"





- 5. The caller then verifies the *Bingo!*
- 6. If you've used edible place markers, feel free to eat them at the end of your game!

### Alternate option:

• To reuse bingo cards, place them in plastic sheet protectors and use dry-erase markers to mark each word. Cards may also be laminated.

### Here are a few ideas to generate discussion as you enjoy your "Preach the Gospel Bingo" game:

- Read aloud Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15 and Luke 24:46-47, comparing and contrasting each
  passage. What were the disciples commanded to do? How? What might this have involved then?
  What might it involve today?
- Discuss ways we can preach the gospel of the Kingdom in our daily lives (hint: we may not all give expert presentations or be great writers, but we can all set an example).
- Want to understand a difficult passage better? We recommend the Life, Hope & Truth article "Does Matthew 28:19 Prove the Trinity?" found at **lifehopeandtruth.com.**



Cut these words out. The caller calls out these words one at a time.

# Call words

| Go   | therefore | and       | make | disciples | of     | all  |
|------|-----------|-----------|------|-----------|--------|------|
| the  | nations   | baptizing | them | name      | Father |      |
| Holy | Spirit    | teaching  | to   | observe   | things | that |
|      | have      | commanded | you  |           |        |      |

| Card 1 |           |         |          |           |           |
|--------|-----------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|
|        | commanded | Spirit  | I        | Father    | disciples |
|        | things    | of      | have     | baptizing | Son       |
|        | that      | observe | nations  | make      | therefore |
|        | you       | them    | teaching | to        | name      |
|        | and       | the     | Holy     | all       | Go        |

| Card 2 | Spirit    | make    | have    | ı         | that     |
|--------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
|        | disciples | Son     | observe | commanded | Go       |
|        | to        | nations | things  | name      | teaching |
|        | therefore | Holy    | you     | baptizing | the      |
|        | Father    | all     | them    | and       | of       |

| Card 3 | 1         | the     | nations   | all      | and       |
|--------|-----------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------|
|        | make      | observe | Son       | teaching | commanded |
|        | things    | of      | them      | have     | name      |
|        | Spirit    | you     | Go        | Holy     | disciples |
|        | therefore | to      | baptizing | Father   | that      |

# Card 4

| you     | Spirit    | teaching  | all     | therefore |
|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| nations | them      | Son       | I       | and       |
| things  | of        | Holy      | observe | the       |
| Father  | name      | disciples | have    | make      |
| Go      | commanded | baptizing | to      | that      |