



Read Matthew 28:16-20 from your Bible or from below.

After Jesus died and was raised from the dead, the eleven disciples journeyed to a mountain in Galilee. Jesus had told them to go there. When the disciples saw Jesus, many of them worshiped Him, but some did not believe that it was really Jesus.

Jesus came closer to the disciples. He explained that He had been given power to rule over heaven and earth. Then Jesus gave them a very important job to do. He told the disciples to go and tell everyone everywhere the good news that Jesus is the Savior. Jesus told them that when a person becomes a believer in Christ, he is to be baptized to show others that he has chosen to follow Jesus as his Savior. Then Jesus told them what to do next. Jesus commanded His disciples to teach new believers to obey what He taught. Jesus made a promise that He would be with believers always.

Matthew 28:16-20 (CSB)



Say: If you are a kid, what do you want to be when you grow up? If you are a grownup, what did you want to be when you were a kid? The world is full of possibilities when it comes to what we want to be and do when we grow up.

Did you know that as Christians, there is one job we all have been commanded to do both now and when we grow up? God wants each of us to be missionaries who tell people about Him.

You may think that missionaries are people who travel to other countries to tell people about Jesus. While this is true, missionaries are people who tell about Jesus wherever they are. You don't have to travel to a foreign country to be a missionary. You are called to be on mission for God right where you are.

What message did Jesus command us to tell others? He wants us to share the message of salvation with them. All people are sinners. Because of sin, there is a separation between us and God. God sent Jesus to earth to make a way for us to no longer be separated from Him. Jesus lived a perfect life. He never sinned. Yet, He died on a cross to save us from our sins. He was buried, and three days later, He rose again. Jesus is now in heaven and will return again one day.

God loves us so much that He sent His only Son to be the Savior of the world. When we choose to follow Him and become a Christian, we are called to tell others about Him wherever we go. This is our job as believers.

No matter what your job (or even if you're still a kid), you can tell others about Jesus. Doctors, teachers, plumbers, stay-at-home parents, delivery people, factory workers, scientists, writers, business people, grocery store workers ... these are just a few of the people who can share Jesus with others.

Preschool Life Point: Jesus is God's Son.

Kids Life Point: Jesus commands believers to tell others He is the Savior.

Preschool Review Questions:

- 1. Where did Jesus meet the disciples in this story?
- 2. What did Jesus tell the disciples to do?
- 3. What did Jesus promise believers?

Elementary Review Questions:

- 1. Why did only 11 disciples meet Jesus on the mountain?
- 2. What did Jesus command the disciples to do?
- 3. How can you obey Jesus' commandment to "go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19-20)?

Pray: God, thank You for sending Jesus to be the Savior of the world. Help our family be a family who lives out the commands as we share Your love with those around us. Amen.



The weekly Bible verse below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.

PRESCHOOL (paraphrase): God sent His only Son, Jesus. 1 John 4:9

KIDS: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20



Sing a *Bible Studies for Life* song or one of your family's favorite worship songs.