



Part 1

Your Faith Will Show

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MAIN POINT:

**Your Faith Should Show
As You Go**

EXPLORATION:

1. **Read Matthew 28:18-20. What does it say to you that the Father gave Jesus all authority in heaven and on earth?**

(Context Clues- the word "authority" indicates that the Father made Christ sovereign over all matters everywhere. Take a moment to reflect on the fact that Jesus presides over everything in heaven. He presides over everything on earth. He presides over every trial the members of your group may be facing.)

2. **In Matthew 28:19-20 there is one imperative and three defining participial phrases. In other words Jesus tells us one thing we must do and then he tells us three ways that we should do it. Identify the command and the three descriptions of how it should be done?**

(Context Clues- "Make disciples" is the command. We should make disciples "as we go", by "baptizing them" and by "teaching them everything the Lord has taught us".)

3. Read Ephesians 4: 11-13. In your own words describe how the church should work in light of this verse. Who actually carries out the work of the ministry? Pastors and teachers? Or all children of God? Does this surprise you?
4. In light of the Main Point of this lesson: “Your Faith Should Show As You Go”, brainstorm a list of all of the places that you go in a month. How could you share your faith at all of the places that you go?

APPLICATION:

1. Have members take turns sharing any ways that they have shared their faith in the course of their Christian life. Encourage honesty!! If someone has never made the effort at all, applaud their honesty and their ability to recognize that fact and encourage them that this series is to help them do something about that. This exercise is in no way to shame someone.
2. Encourage members of the group to think about the course of their life (family, school, work, entertainment, hobbies, etc). Then have them to come up with a list of three names and share about who those people are that they will:
 1. Invite to church
 2. Share their faith and the story of Christ with.
 3. Disciple or teach on a somewhat regular basis things they have learned about Christ, God, faith and the Christian walk.
3. Pray for members of the group and River Point Community Church and the names, hearts, and souls of people that will be reached during the series “As You Go”.