Impact Kids Fall 2026
Older IK Leader Guide

next steps
IN DISCIPLESHIP

December 2, 2026- Disciples are all in for Jesus.
Bible-Mark 10: 17-27- Rich Leader.
Disciples make Jesus part of every day.

Leader QR Codes-

ASK Leader

Leader Devos

Like It Counts

Group Schedule

Leaders Arrive: 6:00 PM (Prayer)
Family Dinner: 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM
K-3rd Outside Play: 6:50 PM- 7:20 PM
4th & 5th Small Group: 6:50 PM- 7:30 PM
K-3rd Small Group: 7:25 PM- 8:00 PM
4th & 5th Outside Play: 7:30 PM- 8:00 PM
Dismiss: 8:00 PM- 8:05 PM
** PL and LT groups will follow 4th & 5th schedule
*** PreK groups outside play is decided at campus

Family Table

What to Do:

As you gather everyone to eat, discuss these questions together. If one question takes the whole time, that is great. Your group has a great dynamic and feels comfortable talking to you and the group. Serve pizza, put names on water bottles, collect trash and clean up/wipe down tables and wash hands.

TALK ABOUT IT:

- Introduce yourself and welcome kids by name.
- Ask kids to share what happened during their day at school, home, etc.
- Ask kids to share new things or old things they are learning.
- Ask kids to share how they have seen God working this week.
- **For fun:** Which animal do you think would win in a race: a sloth or a slug?
- **This week:** What do athletes have to do to get ready for a race? How is that like following Jesus?

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Social Game

Run the Race
Supplies: painter's tape
Say: In the Winter Games, every race starts the same way—at the starting line. Today, we're talking about how Jesus calls us to start running His race. Let's get ready for our own race!

How to Play:
1. Use tape to make a clear starting line on the floor.
2. Have all the kids line up behind it.
3. Blow a whistle or say: "On your marks, get set, GO!"
4. Kids sprint to the finish (a wall, cone, or taped line across the room).
5. Repeat the race a few times with different fun variations (hopping, skipping, crab-walking, walking backward).
6. Let every child experience being "first" in one round.

Debrief: Every runner starts at the starting line. Our life with God starts when we fix our eyes on Jesus and follow Him. He calls us into His race—and He runs with us the whole way!

Video & Bible

Say: Have you ever watched the opening ceremony of the Olympics or Winter Games? Athletes from all over the world gather, and the torch is lit. It's the start of the games! In the same way, the Bible says that following Jesus is like running a race—and it begins when we answer His call. Our story today is a about a man who thought he knew what the race was, let's watch and see how Jesus redirects him.

Watch "Rich Leader"

Say: When Jesus told the man that he needed to give away everything he had and follow Jesus, the man decided that was too costly for him. Following Jesus was easy until it cost him something he wanted more. There might be times in our lives of following Jesus, that it gets really hard to keep following Him. This story reminds us that it is worth it.

What to Do: Pass out Activity Pages and Bibles to each kid with a pencil.

SAY:

- Today we're reading from Mark 10: 17-27. (Pg 1101) Let's find it together in our Bibles.
- Mark is in the New Testament, the part of the Bible that tells about Jesus and life after His resurrection. Mark is part after the Gospels. Circle New Testament on your worksheet.
- To find it, start at the middle of your Bible then flip past Matthew. Look for Mark, then find the big number 10 (chapter 10).
- Next, find the small numbers 17-27 (verses 17-27). If you find it first, help someone nearby. Separate each of these and ask different kids to read each one.
- Once everyone is there, take turns reading the verses aloud together and listen for what God teaches us about the Rich Leader.

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Discussion

Let's spend a few minutes processing what we have learned from the Bible today.

- What is a disciple?
- How can you tell if someone is a good teacher or a bad teacher?
- What do you think makes Jesus a good teacher?
- What do you think it means to make Jesus your Lord?
- What do you think is the difference between making Jesus your Teacher and making Jesus your Lord?
- What is one thing you can do this week to show Jesus is your Lord?

Practice

Teacher or Lord
Say: When we learn about Jesus or from Him, He is our Teacher. When we choose to follow Him and make Him the most important one in our life, He is our Lord.

- Give each kid a red marker and a brown marker.
- Take turns reading the statements on your activity page. You may read them in any order you like.
- Kids vote whether they think the statement shows Jesus is Teacher, Lord, or both: • Kids draw an apple with the red marker for "Teacher." • Kids draw a cross with the brown marker for "Lord." • Kids draw both for "both."
- Keep the game open-ended. Let kids explain their votes, as there aren't right or wrong answers.
- If time allows, play again, letting kids read the statements or make up their own.

Ask: Do you think it's easier to make Jesus your Teacher or your Lord?

Family Discipleship

What to Do: Your handout today is designed to help you remember what we learned. Take it home and share it with a family member, then ask them to go through it with you. We also want to hear how the other challenges are going. What are you learning? How is God helping you grow? Be ready to share your experiences with the group!
Leader Tip: Encourage families to look at the kid's work as they show up to pick up their kids.