

EVERYDAY DISCIPLE

Impact Kids Fall 2026 Older IK Leader Guide

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IN DISCIPLESHIP

November 4, 2026- Disciples have faith that shows.

Bible-John 15:1-17- The Vine and Branches

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:** Name all the fruit that grows in bunches.
- **This week:** What are some ways you've grown physically? Did you get taller? More hair or less hair? Do you wear bigger shoes? What are other ways you know you have grown physically?



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Social Game

Say: Jesus said He is the vine and we are the branches. When we stay connected to Him, He helps us grow and produce fruit in our lives.

Hold Hands and Pass the Rope

1. Form a circle and hold hands. Place a rope loop over two connected arms.
2. Without letting go of hands, work together to pass the rope all the way around the circle.
3. Encourage each other and stay connected as you move the rope.
4. When finished, discuss how staying connected helped you succeed and how people help us stay connected to Jesus.

Take Away: 🌿 Jesus is the vine, and staying connected to Him helps us grow.

Video & Pray

Watch "The Vine and Branches"

Say: Jesus is the vine! When we stay close to him, we grow...just like grapes! Let's stick grapes on this picture.

Add grape stickers to the coloring page. Give each kid a sheet of stickers

PPray: *Jesus, thank you that our power to be loving comes from you! Help us remain in you and grow in your love. Instead of trying really hard in our own strength, help us stay connected to the vine. In your name, Amen.*

Say: Let's work together to pack some snack bags for our friends through Blessings in a Backpack.

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Discussion

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

- What do you think Jesus meant when He said, "I am the vine, and you are the branches"?
- What are some ways kids can stay connected to Jesus every day?
- How does spending time with Jesus help us show love, kindness, patience, and other fruit in our lives?
- Jesus said, "Love one another as I have loved you." What is one practical way you can show Jesus' love to a friend, sibling, or classmate this week?
- What happens to a branch when it is disconnected from the vine? How is that similar to what can happen when we stop spending time with Jesus?

Practice

Snack Bag Service Project for Blessings in a Backpack

Supplies: snacks (TBD), bags, cards to color

Say: Many kids in our community may not have enough food during Thanksgiving and Christmas school breaks. We can show God's love by packing snack bags that will help provide food and encouragement for kids when they are away from school.

Instructions:

1. Fill a bag with the provided snacks and food items.
2. Color a card with a cheerful message or picture.
3. Place the card in the snack bag.
4. Pray that the child who receives the bag feels loved, encouraged, and cared for.

Pray for the stack of bags your group filled. Ask God to fill their tummies and that each kid would know that someone loves them and wants to share Jesus with them.

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.