

EVERYDAY DISCIPLE

Impact Kids Fall 2026 Older IK Leader Guide

next steps
IN DISCIPLESHIP

September 16, 2026- Disciples follow Jesus together.

Bible- Luke 5: 1-11 Jesus Calls the Disciples and Equips Them.

Disciples know God and show Him to others.

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:** Who is the best superhero sidekick?
- **This week:** What are some qualities that you think a best friend should have? What are some qualities that you think a best friend should NOT have?



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Social Game

Supplies: Bibles

SAY: Growing with Jesus takes time, learning more and amazing people to walk through life with. This week we are looking at Jesus calling His disciples to follow Him. That means really following Him and doing everything with Him. We are going to play a quick game to get our brains ready to listen.

Play

Group Up Game

- Listen to the category and think of your answer.
- Move around the room to find kids who have the same answer and form a group.
- Share your group's answer when called on, then get ready for the next category.
 - Categories: Age, Favorite Food, Eye Color, Favorite Sport, Favorite School Subject, Pet You Have, Beach, Pool, or Lake, Favorite Summer Activity

Summarize

Open a Bible, and say: That was so fun! I loved seeing the different groups you formed and some of the things you had in common with each other! It made me think about how there is something every person in God's family has in common – They love and believe in Jesus! And that family helps each other out.

Say: We're going to learn who is in God's family and what their role is in growing with Jesus.

Say: Let's listen to this video.

Watch "Jesus' Disciples"

Say: Jesus' disciples were some of His closest friends, and they helped each other follow Jesus and share God's love with others. In the same way, God's family helps us grow, encourages us when we need support, and works together to serve God using the gifts He has given each of us.

ASK: What are some ways you can get your heart ready for the Good News to grow in each of us?

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

SAY:

- Today we're reading from Luke 5:1-11. (Pg 1124) Let's find it together in our Bibles.
- Luke is in the New Testament, the part of the Bible that tells about God's people before Jesus came. It is one of the eyewitness stories about Jesus called the Gospels. Circle New Testament on your worksheet.
- To find it, start at the middle of your Bible and flip toward the back. Look for Luke, then find the big number 5 (chapter 5).
- Next, find the small numbers 1-11 (verses 1-11). If you find it first, help someone nearby.
- Once everyone is there, take turns reading the verses aloud together and listen for what God teaches us through Jesus' words.

Video & Bible



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Discussion

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

- What stood out to you from the video we watched today?
- Think about your best friend. What are they like? What are some things you like to do together? What words would you use to describe them?
- What were some things you saw the 12 disciples doing? What are some of the good things that God's family can do for each other?
- Are your closest friends helping you on your adventure with Jesus? How?

Practice

Circle Up

- Work with your small group to read the qualities listed on the worksheet.
- Decide if each quality fits a casual friend, good friend, or best friend and write the number in the matching circle(s).
- Complete the worksheet together, knowing there may be different right answers.
- Discuss as a group what makes a good best friend and why it's important to have friends who love Jesus and encourage wise choices.

Pray: God, Thank You for friends to follow Jesus with. Help us all to show Your love, forgiveness, and friendship. Help us grow together to follow You more every day. Show us the people who need to know You more and help us be a witness to them of who you are. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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.