

EVERYDAY DISCIPLE

Impact Kids Fall 2026 Younger IK Leader Guide

next steps
IN DISCIPLESHIP

September 30, 2026- Disciples are faithful friends.

Bible- 1 Samuel 20:11- 17, 2 Samuel 9:1-13- David and Jonathan are friends

Disciples build relationships that point each other to Jesus.

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:** What would you do if your friend had a bike and it broke?
- **This week:** What does it mean to be loyal? Give some examples of ways to be loyal to your friends.

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Social Game

Supplies: painter's tape/packing tape, several lightweight items

Stick With Me!

How to Play

1. Put a piece of painter's tape (sticky side out like a bracelet) around each child's wrist, or give each child a sticky note.
2. Scatter lightweight items around the room (paper hearts, foam shapes, tissue paper balls, feathers, etc.).
3. When you say, "Go!" kids race to collect items by making them stick to their tape or sticky note.
4. After 1 minute, stop and count how many items each child collected.
5. Play 2-3 quick rounds.

Summarize

Open a Bible, and say: The Bible helps us learn and grow as disciples of Jesus. "Today we're learning about faithful friendship. David and Jonathan were friends who 'stuck together.' They helped each other, cared about each other, and stayed loyal. A faithful friend sticks by you even when things get difficult."

Video & Pray

Say: How many of you have a best friend? As you watch this video today, I want you to think about your best friend.

Watch "David and Jonathan"

Say: As you watched that video, did David and Jonathan remind you of your best friend? If no, why not? If yes, tell us what you saw.

Say: I love that the Bible helps us know so much about living with Jesus. Even have friends and being a friend. Let's spend a few minutes praying for our friends.

Pray: Father God, thank you for my friend (*pause give kids a few minutes to name their friends*). God help us when it is hard to be a faithful friend. Help us be the kind of friend we want to have. Thank you for giving us small group friends who are helping us grow and follow You. In Jesus name, Amen!

Say: Now it's time to practice being a friend who sticks. Are you ready?



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Activity

Friendship Match-Up

Supplies:

- Matching pairs of simple picture cards (heart, star, smiley face, ball, crown, etc.)
- Enough pairs for the size of your group

How to Play:

1. Give each child one card.
2. Tell kids to quietly walk around the room and find the person holding the matching card.
3. Once they find their match, they sit down together.
4. Ask each pair to answer a simple question such as:
 - What is your favorite game?
 - What makes a good friend?
 - How can you be kind to a friend today?

Debrief:

Say: "Today we learned about David and Jonathan. They were faithful friends who cared for each other, helped each other, and stayed loyal even when things were difficult."

Color Page

What to Do: Distribute the coloring pages and crayons. **Say:** Disciples are faithful friends. Allow time for kids to color.

Leader Tip: Encourage families to look at the kid's work as they show up to pick up their kids.