



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 4, Lesson 21

The Great Commission

Lesson Aim: To learn effective ways to carry out the Great Commission.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the farthest place you have ever been?

GAME: Worldwide Scramble

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO ROSE

Read Worship Scripture: Zephaniah 3:17.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

THE WORD JESUS SENDS HIS DISCIPLES

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus told Peter to take care of His sheep.

Today, we will find out what happened when Jesus met with His disciples in Galilee. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Matthew 28:16-20, 22:37-39. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Matthew 28:19-20. Pray. Read.

THE WAY JESUS SENDS US

To make disciples is to lead others to become followers of Jesus. Jesus is telling us to go and lead others to follow Him. Have you ever wanted to talk to someone about following Jesus, but didn't know what to say? Since Jesus sends us to go and make disciples of all nations, we can trust He will help us do that! Here is a way to tell a friend who God is and what He has done.

CROSS YOUR HEART

- **This perfect heart shows God loves us.** Show paper heart.
- **We are separated from God's love by our wrongdoing or sin.** Tear heart into two pieces.
- **God sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for us. His death paid for our sins, so we could be forgiven and close**

to God again. Use two pieces of tape intersecting to make a cross to put the two pieces of the heart back together.

- **When we believe and follow Jesus, His Spirit stays with us in our hearts forever.** Hold heart close.
- **If your friend would like to pray to become a follower of Jesus and be close to God forever, you can lead the ABC prayer or one like it.**

Read the ABC prayer: "**Lord Jesus, I Admit that I'm a sinner. I Believe You are the Lord who died to take my sins away. Please Come into my heart and I will follow You forever. Amen.**"

What does Jesus tell us to teach others? (All He commanded us to do.) **The best way to teach is to show by example. What did Jesus say is the greatest commandment?** (Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, and mind.) **How can you obey that in your life? How can you obey the second greatest commandment to love your neighbor as yourself?**

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Nearly 2000 years before Jesus promised to be with us always, Jacob had a dream in which the Lord appeared at the top of a staircase and made a similar promise. Let's check it out. Reveal Genesis 28:15a. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

The Holy Spirit lives inside the hearts of everyone who believes in Jesus. If you are His follower, He will never leave you. He will help you follow the Great Commission!

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Great Commission Card
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus Sends His Disciples
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Tell the World

GAME: Touch the World

CRAFT: Making Disciples Maps

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Standing on the Earth, The Wave

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW