

# LEAD LIKE JESUS

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## 4-LESSON DISCIPLESHIP CURRICULUM

### PARENT GUIDE

We realize that you, as parents, are the primary faith influencers in a young person's life. The best disciple making takes place when students' parents take the lead. That's why we've created this helpful guide for you to use at home with your child. It is designed to give you some basic information about what is being taught at church through the *Lead Like Jesus* curriculum, along with some helpful tools, suggestions, and questions to help you reinforce this learning at home.

#### OVERVIEW OF LEAD LIKE JESUS (4 Lessons)

In *Lead Like Jesus*, students will look to Jesus' perfect example as they learn how to depend on God and influence others well. When we follow the blueprint that Jesus laid out for us, we'll find ourselves seeking more intimacy with our Heavenly Father while our heart grows for the people he's placed in our lives. God doesn't just bring us into his family; he equips us to lead and influence others as well. Your student will learn from the relationship between Jesus and his Father and take practical cues from how he led his followers.

#### MAIN TOPICS AND SCRIPTURE COVERED

- **Lesson 1: Follow the Voice (10:1–15)**  
Even Jesus created time to hear from his Father. Godly leaders can only be effective if they are following and dependent on God; hearing and obeying his voice. In this lesson, students will study what the Bible says about the Good Shepherd's voice and how they can respond to it rather than the many other voices surrounding them.
- **Lesson 2: Have Faith (Matthew 17:14–20)**  
Lesson two will teach students how to be a disciple who is filled with faith. As Christ-followers, we aren't called to look at the world the same way as everyone else. We need to be confident in God's infinite power. Our lives and situations are no longer ordinary, they're potential opportunities for God to work in big ways.
- **Lesson 3: Don't Ask, Invite (Matthew 4:18–22)**  
Jesus doesn't just invite us into his Kingdom, he asks us to invite others as well. Thankfully, he has shown us how to do just that, and it's far more powerful than just asking a simple question. In this lesson, students will be reminded of the invitation Jesus has extended to them and will practice the skill of inviting others to follow their lead.
- **Lesson 4: Bring the Good News (Mark 5:1–20)**  
Leading like Jesus means that we're excited to share the Gospel, the good news of his salvation. In this lesson, students will learn from the example of a healed blind man and discuss how they can use their lives to tell others about the Good News that has changed their life.



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**QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK YOUR CHILD**

- Can you recall a time when you felt like you heard from God, or felt like you knew exactly what he wanted you to do?
- What do you find yourself praying about most these days?
- When have you been asked to do something in such a way that made you feel like you and the job you had to do were really special?
- How do you feel about sharing your faith?
- Who is one person that you feel like you should be talking to about Jesus?

**MEMORY VERSES:** Each lesson has a corresponding verse to memorize or meditate on.

**1.** Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

Matthew 7:24 (ESV)

**2.** For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you.

Matthew 17:20 (ESV)

**3.** Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28 (ESV)

**4.** Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:1–2 (ESV)