

Doing What Jesus Did as a Family

Week Four - Teaching the Way

“Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.” - John 14:21

As parents and caregivers, one of our primary responsibilities is to teach our children what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. This means both teaching your children what Jesus did through Bible reading and modeling what Jesus did by obeying His commands together as a family. In conjunction with our “Do What Jesus Did” series, we’re challenging the families of Citizens to follow Jesus together through practice guides. Each practice guide will have Scripture to read, a song to sing, and an age-appropriate activity. We pray this will help you grow as a disciple-maker and help to shepherd your child towards faith in Jesus!

Read It - Matthew 28:16-20, Matthew 22:34-40, “Story 44: Jesus’s Friends See Him” from the *Beginner’s Gospel Story Bible* by Jared Kennedy

Sing It - Deuteronomy 6:5 by Slugs & Bugs

Do It -

Babies - Pray for your child that they would grow up to love God with all of their heart, soul and mind, and that they would love their neighbors.

Toddlers - In addition to praying for your child, teach your child to say, “We teach others to follow Jesus!” Turning phrases into questions/catechisms for children is also really helpful.. Q: What do we teach others to do? A: To follow Jesus!

Big Kids - In addition to praying for your child and teaching them that we teach others to follow Jesus, talk to your child over a family meal about how your family might grow in following Jesus together. Set a family goal of one way you all would like to grow in following Jesus. Pray that the Spirit would help you!