

## **LESSON 7: JESUS CALLS DISCIPLES**

DEEPER BIBLE: HOW DO I FOLLOW JESUS WHEN I CAN'T SEE

HIM?

## **SUPPLIES**

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First, I want to tell you how to *start* following Jesus. If you're not sure you're a follower of Jesus yet, here's all you have to do!

## Romans 10:9-10

<sup>9</sup>If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.

Awesome! Anyone who believes in their heart that Jesus is Lord and declares their faith can say we are followers of Jesus! That's so exciting!

But what does that mean for how you live? In our game, if the Leader hopped, you hopped. If the Leader crawled, you crawled. How can we follow Jesus' actions when we can't see him?

Well, even though we can't **see** Jesus, we can read all about how he lived. The books of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John in the Bible tell us all about Jesus' life! Let's look at a few examples of how Jesus lived and think about what it would mean to follow his example today.

- In **Luke 2:41-52**, Jesus was a 12-year-old boy. He stayed behind at the Temple because he loved God so much that he wanted to be at church! Think of what people today could do to follow that example.
- In **Mark 2:13-17**, Jesus had dinner with people no one else liked. Think of how you could show love to someone who's not popular.
- In **Matthew 14:13-21**, Jesus takes just a little bit of food and makes it enough to feed a whole bunch of people! We can't multiply food like Jesus did, but we can help other people in need. Think of a way you could help someone in need.
- In John 13:1-17, Jesus washed his friends' feet to serve them. Think of a way you could serve someone.

<u>We are followers of Jesus</u> when we show the kinds of qualities he showed! The more we read about Jesus in the Bible, the more we know how to follow him, even though we can't see him.