

Week 2 MSM discussion guide



THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

You need trusted leaders to teach you the way of Jesus.

BIBLE

John 13:12-17; 2 Timothy 2:1-2

ABOUT THIS WEEK

Last week, students learned that following Jesus means living the way Jesus lived. This week builds on that foundation by helping students see **how** we learn to follow Jesus. God never intended us to grow on our own. Instead, He places trusted leaders in our lives to teach us, guide us, and show us what following Jesus looks like in real life. Discipleship happens best in relationships built on trust, humility, and example.

Let's Break the Ice // Discipleship Moment Follow Up :

- Last week, I asked you to make note of 1-3 situations you saw or were in and write down how you think Jesus would handle them. What did you notice this week? What would Jesus have done?
- On to this week, what happens if you try to learn something hard with no guidance at all? How might that translate to discipleship?

Bible Study:

- Read Together: As a group, read John 13:12-15 NIV

Discussion Questions:

- What surprising thing did Jesus do for His disciples in this story?
- Why do you think Jesus chose to *show* His disciples instead of just telling them what to do?
- What does this tell us about what good leaders are like?
- Read **2 Timothy 2:1–2**. Who does Paul say Timothy should learn from?
- Why do you think God wants people to help teach other people how to follow Jesus?

Make it Real:

***Note to the leader:** As you move to this part, remind your students that you're here to help guide them in the way of Jesus, but remind them of the benefit of having a full team around them if possible.

- Who is someone in your life who helps you learn how to follow Jesus?
- What makes it hard sometimes to listen to leaders or ask for help?
- What is one way you can show trust or respect to the leaders God has placed in your life?

Discipleship Moment:

- **LEARNING FROM LEADERS:** Encourage students to choose one trusted leader this week (parent, sibling, coach, teacher) and:
 - Listen carefully to their advice or
 - Ask them one question about following Jesus
- Come back next week ready to share who that person is and how they helped you.
 - **Partner Check-In (optional):** Pair students up and have them commit to checking in with their partner either sometime during the week or during your next gathering.

Prayer

Share Requests:

- Ask for any prayer requests or praises to celebrate together.

Group Prayer:

- Pray together that God would help each student follow Jesus – not just with their words, but with their actions this week.