

## LESSON 28 | ON a MISSION for Jesus

**Bible Basis:** Matthew 28; Acts 2–3

**Bible Verse:** Matthew 28:19: “So you must go and make disciples of all nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

**Bible Point:** Jesus gave his followers a mission on earth. The Holy Spirit helps me to do this mission.

**Resource:** *The Beginner’s Bible*

- “Jesus Goes to Heaven” (pages 466–472)
- “The Holy Spirit Comes” (pages 473–479)
- “The First Church” (pages 480–483)
- “The Lame Man” (pages 484–487)

### How to use This Page

This week, you can read the stories listed above in *The Beginner’s Bible* several times to help your child remember them. Use the Table Talk questions below to start a discussion around the dinner table, while driving in the car, or just about anywhere. The Living Faith activity is designed as a drama to help your child remember the Bible lesson. The Extra Mile provides interactive ways for your child to connect with the story.

#### TABLE TALK

1. Where did Jesus go when he left his disciples? (*Heaven.*)
2. Who did God send to the disciples to comfort them and help them? (*The Holy Spirit.*)
3. What is a church? (*A group of people who gather together because they love Jesus. Together they sing, pray, study the Bible, help others, etc.*)
4. What mission did Jesus give the disciples before he went back to heaven? (*To show and tell people about God’s love.*)
5. Who did Peter and John help? (*The lame man.*)

#### LIVING FAITH

Have your child select one of the Bible stories from this week and act it out as you read the story aloud from *The Beginner’s Bible*. Provide props such as a bathrobe and a pillow so your child can pretend to

lie down and be the lame man. You can take turns playing the part of the lame man and Peter.

When you come to the place(s) in the story where a Bible character speaks, instruct your child what to say. If possible, have your child perform the Bible drama for other family members in person, via Skype, or using a video camera.

#### EXTRA MILE

- After you have gone over the memory verse several times with your child, reinforce retention with a simple game called Scripture Freeze. During the day, tag your child unexpectedly, like in a game of Freeze Tag. The child must freeze and quote the verse to you to get unfrozen.
- Give your child paper and crayons to draw a picture of one of the stories. While your child is drawing, ask questions about the characters and the point of the lesson. This conversation will help reinforce what your child is learning about in the Bible and will also be an opportunity for you to spend quality time together.
- Talk about ways that your family can continue God’s mission of showing the world his love through his Son, Jesus. Look for pictures in magazines that remind you of ways you can show and tell others about God’s love. Cut these out and with your child glue them onto a piece of paper.
- Jesus gave us his Holy Spirit to help us do our mission on earth. He knew it would be hard