

BUILD IT UP





Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: None

1. Introductions

Circle Up: As you come into the room, have Kid-Os say “hi” to someone else in the circle as they sit down. Encourage each Kid-O to say their name.

2. Discussion Questions

- What did Jesus ask the fishermen to do? (Follow him.)
- What kinds of things did Jesus do? (Love others, serve, forgive, tell people about God)

3. Hands-On Option

Do This: Play a game of Follow the Leader. Ask the Kid-Os in your group stand up and follow all of your actions. Ideas for actions: touch your head, jump up and down, touch your toes, turn around, stand on one foot, wiggle your body, run in place.

Say This: Just like you followed me in the game, we can follow Jesus. Following Jesus means that we make Jesus the leader in our life and do the things he says are right.

The Point: Jesus showed us an example of how to live and how to love others well. We can follow Him each day by loving others, serving, forgiving, and doing the things he says are right.

4. Big Idea, Memory Verse, Stickers, and Prayer

Do This: Practice the Memory Verse and the Big Idea with the kids.

Memory Verse: Colossians 2:7 – “Build yourselves up in Him. Grow strong in what you believe.”

Big Idea: I can follow Jesus’ example.

Do This: Give each kid a sticker. Encourage them to talk about what they learned with their grown-ups.

Do This: Pray! “Dear God, we love you. Thank you for loving us. Help us to follow Jesus’ example every day. Amen.”