

Go (taught in May 2019)

Matthew 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Optional discussion questions/conversation starters:

- Old Testament or New Testament? (New) Who is the author of this book? (Matthew) Matthew is one of the four _____. (gospels) What does “gospel” mean? (The Good News – the best news ever!!!!) What are the other four gospels? (Mark, Luke, John) Who *spoke* the words in this verse? (Jesus) Matthew, along with the other gospels, is sharing the story about Jesus’ life: his travels, his teachings, his actions, his healings, his death on the cross, and his resurrection from the dead. Jesus spoke these words *after* he had resurrected from the dead, just before he ascended into heaven.
- Who is Matthew? (Matthew was Jewish, a former tax collector for the Romans, and one of Jesus’ 12 disciples.)
- To whom is Matthew writing? (He is mostly addressing the Jewish people, wanting them to know that Jesus is their Messiah.)
- When someone says, “Go”, what does this mean? (This sounds simple, but try to get to more than “go do it” and throw out various examples of when we say “go” or people say it to us.)
- What does “go” mean in this verse? First, what do you think Jesus meant at the time he said it? (He was telling them to do exactly what it says!) Second, what do you think it means for us today? What does it mean for you? (Share what you think it means for you.)
- What is a “disciple”? (a follower; a Christian disciple is a follower of Jesus)
- How do we “make disciples”?
- Read Matthew 28:18-20. Discuss.

- Why is it important that we “teach people to obey everything Jesus has commanded us”?
- Ask each person to share something for which they would like prayed. Close in prayer (can be led by one person or each person can pray), specifically including everyone’s prayer requests, and asking God to help you “go and make disciples”!
- Finish by singing the song again!

Optional activity during the week: [Red Light, Green Light!](#) (Click link)

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