

Making it Mine

A Bible study for kids ready to
grow a faith of their own.

Month 9 Week 1

Come Follow Me

READ:

Mark 1-8

Heart graffiti:



**Check out
the puzzle
page!**

Unscramble the
letters to find the
one word theme of
the month:

DO BEE NICE

The title rabbi was given to those respected by the Jewish community as someone knowledgeable of Scripture. Those selected by the rabbi to become his students and followers were also special. They were the ones who showed the most promise. Their skill in the synagogue school earned them an apprenticeship with the rabbi, following him everywhere he went so they could be taught all that the rabbi knew.

Jesus was recognized as a rabbi by his enemies and followers alike. In Mark 1:21-22 we find Jesus teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum, able not only to teach the widely accepted wisdom of the well known rabbis, but as one who had the authority to give His own interpretation of God's holy Word. In fact, the people were amazed at His teaching.

So, what kind of students did this amazing rabbi chose to follow Him and learn His teachings?

Mark 1:16-20 _____

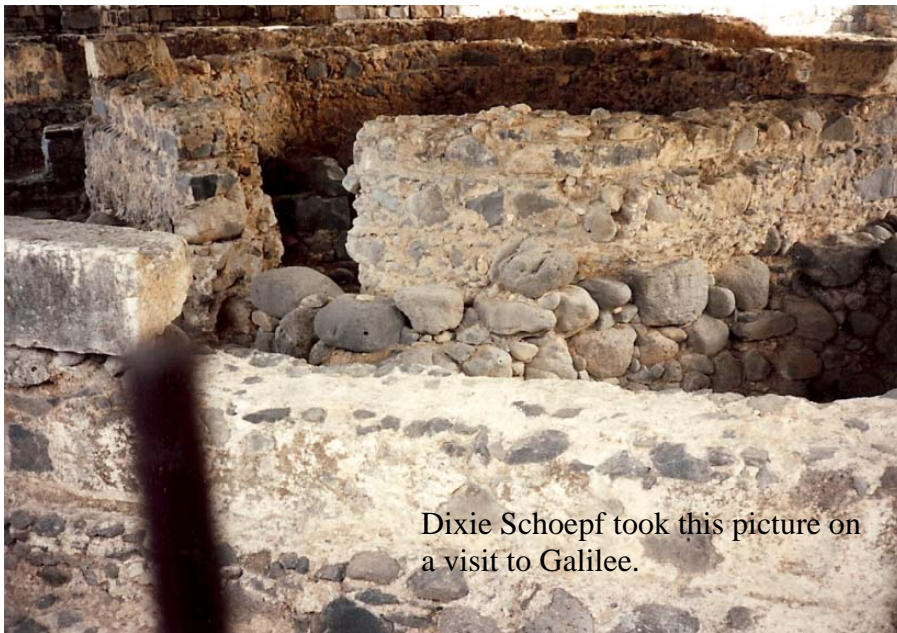
Mark 2:13-14 _____

Mark 3:13-19 _____

Why do you think Jesus chose these kind of people to follow Him? _____

Has He asked you to follow Him and become His **disciple**? _____

Disciple means: _____



Dixie Schoepf took this picture on a visit to Galilee.

This is thought to be the actual remains of the home where Peter's mother-in-law was healed!

What was the first thing she did after being healed?

To find out more about first century Galilean homes, go to: <http://www.followtherabbi.com/Brix?pageID=1601>

FOLLOWING JESUS IN THE STORM Mark 4:38

The disciples were afraid of the storm. They thought they were going to die.

What was Jesus doing? _____

Are you afraid of storms? _____

What are some other kinds of "storms" or things that scare you? _____

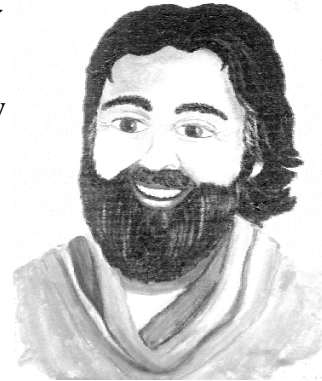
What did Jesus say to the disciples? _____



"Sometimes the Lord calms the storm. Sometimes the Lord lets the storm rage, and calms His child."

CALLED TO FOLLOW

I find it interesting how Jesus called His disciples. He did not give them a long persuasive speech. He did not twist their arm, or entice them with a fun activity. He simply said, "Follow me". That alone convinced them to drop everything, jump up then and there, and follow Him on the strangest and most wondrous adventure known to man, actually rubbing elbows with God in the flesh!



How much do you think the disciples understood about Jesus at the time that He called them to follow Him? _____

Why did they so readily obey, even at the cost of leaving all else behind? _____

Unscramble the letters to find what Jesus told Levi (also called Matthew) in Mark 2:14?


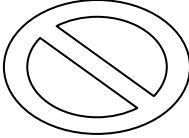
"Wolf mole."



PUZZLE PAGE

Memory verse word puzzle

To find the memory verse for this month, find a synonym for each of the colored words below, replacing the underlined phrases with a single word:

“**adore** the **Master** your **Deity** by means of
every part of your **feeling** & by way of the
entirety of your **essence** & with every bit of your
brainpower  & with every one of
your **muscles**. The
subsequent is this: be devoted to your fellow citizen
as your own person.
There is **zero**  **superior directive**
than these.”

(hint: check out Mark 12:30-31 in the NIV translation!)

TIPS for parents and teachers

Disciple means: somebody who believes in and follows the teachings of a leader, a philosophy, or a religion

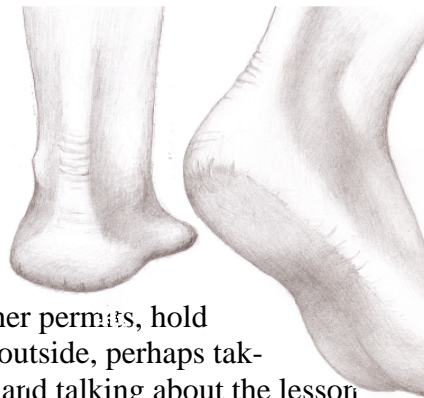
Talk about the differences there might be between being a disciple, as the twelve plus others who followed Jesus did, and being a student in a classroom. What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus today?

A great video segment to show your students is volume 6 of :

In the Dust of the Rabbi. Ray Vander Laan. Focus on the Family. Zondervan. Grand Rapids. 2006.

Or for some brief information for yourself, go to:

<http://www.followtherabbi.com/Brix?pageID=1855>



If weather permits, hold your class outside, perhaps taking a walk and talking about the lesson you go.

Try a game of “Simon says”

What are the things that would be hardest to leave behind if you were one of the disciples?

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