# **GRADES K-3**

# FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP GUIDE



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The Learning Stage: Show me how so I can do it.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

- Giant transitions
- Home-work
- Independence
- Extreme growth

### **SAY THINGS LIKE**

- When I first trusted Jesus.... (share your faith story)
- Can I pray about that with you?
- You should treat others the way you want to be treated.

# DAILY ROUTINES



#### MORNING

Provide a quiet space where your kids can read their Bible before school. Pray together and talk about the day and how to share Jesus with others on the way to school. Play worship music throughout the morning to help prepare their hearts for the day.



#### **EVENING**

Eat dinner together at the dinner table as often as you can. Talk about your "highs" and "lows" from the day and pray for one another.

## BEDTIME

Read a Bible story or age appropriate devotion each night. Discuss what you read and answer questions. Listen to their thoughts about what they learned. Play or sing a worship song or read a Psalm and pray together before they fall asleep.



#### Show your kids how to read & understand the Bible.

- Take a moment to read the Bible with your child every morning before school and at night before bed. Ask simple questions to start discussion like: What is something you noticed in these verses? What example can we follow from this story? What does this tell us about Jesus? What does this tell us about ourselves?
- Help your child memorize Bible verses and to apply it to their lives.
- Encourage your kids to navigate and read the Bible on their own and find specific phrases or Bible verses.
- Have your kids bring their Bible to church as they learn to navigate God's Word. We recommend the Hands-On! Bible.



- Introduce intercessory prayer by having your children pray for others.
- Encourage your child to pray on their own (when they are happy or sad, when they are thankful, when they are in need) to help develop habits of constantly walking with God through prayer.
- Teach your child to pray immediately as they have or see a need.



#### Show your kids church is important.

- Make church a priority. Attend consistently and make sure your kids are in an age-appropriate learning environment.
- Have your kids invite friends to attend Connect Group and Kids' Worship with them.
- Get involved as a family in church projects and serving opportunities.
- Ask your child what they learned at church and discuss together.

## ACTION



#### Show your kids how to put their faith into action.

- Encourage your child to share the Gospel with others. Teach them an evangelism method (3 Circles, The Wordless Book, etc.).
- Provide opportunities for your children to see you share Jesus with others.
- Serve together as a family in your church and community.
- Teach your kids about the importance giving and encourage them to give to others (food, money, toys, clothes, time).
- When facing tough times and trials, help your children walk by faith.



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