The Only Jesus I See Sun am 11/15/20 KZ Lesson

# Memory Verse: Matthew 28:19 (NKJV)

**19**Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Target Thought: We need to tell others about Jesus.

It's the time of year when many people are going on vacation. If you have ever gone on a trip, you know that it takes a lot of preparation to get ready to go. If you have a dog or a cat, someone has to take care of your pet. Probably the most important thing you have to do when you go on a trip is pack your suitcase.

Let's imagine that we are going on a trip and make a list all of the things we will need to pack in our suitcase. Let's see, we will need socks, underwear, jeans, shirts, shorts, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, comb and brush, and a swim suit and flip-flops for the beach. Have I forgotten anything? (Allow time for the children to add to the list.) Oh, I thought of something I forgot. My cell phone.

When he was on the earth, Jesus traveled around from village to village teaching, healing people, and casting out demons. One day, he called his twelve disciples to him and said, "I want you to go out two by two. I am giving you all of the authority you need to cast out evil spirits."

# Mark 6:8-9 (NKJV)

**8**He commanded them to take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bag, no bread, no copper in *their* money belts— **9**but to wear sandals, and not to put on two tunics.

That sounds like a pretty big task, doesn't it? That meant that they would have to travel from town to town just as Jesus had been doing. I imagine the disciples thought to themselves, "Wow! I had better go home and start packing!"

But then Jesus gave them further instructions. "Take nothing for your journey except a walking stick -- no food, no traveler's bag, and no money. You can wear sandals, but no extra clothing."

No food, no money, no extra clothes -- how could the disciples possibly make this journey? Would it be hard for you to just up and go, no planning, no packing, just going on faith? Do you think that Jesus ask people now days to do things by faith? They found people who would welcome them and they stayed with them in their homes. These people fed them and gave them everything they needed for the journey.

Father God provided everything that they needed. The Bible tells us that the disciples went out telling everyone they met to repent of their sins and turn to God. They also cast out many evil spirits and they healed many sick people. In other words, they did exactly what Jesus told them to do and he gave them the power to do it.

Jesus told you and me to go and make disciples. I wonder if sometimes we delay following his command because we think we aren't ready. If we would just go, like the Twelve did, He would give us the ability to share the Good News with others. Why is it so important to tell everyone about Jesus?

What if you are the only Jesus someone sees? What if you are the only person who tells them about Jesus? What if you were the only person and you didn’t tell them about Jesus?

When Jesus asks us to do something for Him, will it always be easy? Will it possible? Will He make a way for us? How do we know?

Father, we know that many people need to hear the Good News. Jesus has told us to go and make disciples. Help us to be willing to go. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

1. Does Jesus ask people now to do things by faith?

2. Did Jesus tell us to go and make disciples for His Kingdom?

3. Will it always be easy, possible, and a way made for us to what Jesus has ask?