# **BIG TRUTH: THE CHURCH MAKES DISCIPLES**

Ephesians 4:11-17; Colossians 1:28; Hebrews 10:25

## **BIBLE VERSE: MATTHEW 28:19-20**

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

#### **BIG IDEAS**

- We make disciples in all of life.
- We make disciples through sharing and teaching.
- We make disciples under Christ's authority and by His presence.

# BIBLE PASSAGE: MATTHEW 28:16-20; ACTS 2:46; 2 TIMOTHY 2:1-12

## **UNITE - I AM PART OF A FAMILY**

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

### **SERIES AIMS**



# Every student should know that...

- The church is a family.
- The church is given by God.
- The church exists for God.



## Every student should strive to...

- Prioritize gathering to worship each week with their church family.
- Learn more about membership in their local church.
- Do something to intentionally serve someone in their church family each week



## Every student should feel...

- Thankful for the unique ways God has gifted them and their church.
- Appreciation for the elders and leaders that God has gifted their church.



## Every student should want...

- To devote themselves to pursue holiness with their church family.
- To have their lives be marked by love for the church.
- To live in a way that is sacrificial and generous for the good of others and the glory of God

### **FAMILY WORKOUT:**

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter what a disciple is. We will pray for them to understand the believer's role in making disciples. We will lead them to practice making disciples through the church.



#### Read and meditate on Matthew 28:16-20 this week.

As you ponder these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

• How can you discuss with your son or daughter what a disciple is and how to make disciples? How can you model making disciples to your son or daughter?

Consider how you can help your son or daughter join with the church in making disciples. How can you teach your son or daughter to grow as a disciple?



## Pray for your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to guide your son or daughter to be a disciple and to make disciples.
- Pray with your son or daughter this week. As you pray, model asking the Holy Spirit to help you make disciples.



### Discuss with your son or daughter ways that he or she can help the church make disciples.

- Talk through some of the programs your church offers that are for disciple-making. Discuss some of the ways that he or she can get involved.
- Discuss with your student ways that he or she can grow as a disciple of Christ.
- Discuss some habits and disciplines that he or she can put on in order to better serve Christ.