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Lesson 15

Jesus and the Disciples

Today's Story:

Today's story tells about a time when Jesus called 12 men to be his disciples and his close friends. Just like God had chosen the 12 sons from Jacob to be the beginning of God's people, the Israelites, Jesus chose 12 men to call out a new people for God through the 12 disciples.

Disciples are people who follow their teacher very carefully and learn to be like the teacher. Jesus chose 12 men to follow him. He taught them about the Kingdom of God and he taught them the good news that God is always with his people. Jesus chose these 12 men to be his friends; to witness his life, his death and his resurrection. And Jesus chose these 12 disciples to go to all the nations in the world to make more disciples. Jesus chose YOU and He chose ME! The wonderful news is that we are the disciples of Jesus too!

Bible Memory Verse:

Jesus said: "If you obey my teaching, you are really my disciples." (John 8:31--GNT) (The names of the disciples were:

Simon Peter, James, James, John, Andrew, Philip, Matthew, Thomas, Bartholomew, Thaddaeus, Simon, Judas)

My Art Response:

