

*"MY COMMAND IS THIS:
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JOHN 15:12

LOVE COPYING JESUS

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SEE IT

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TELL IT

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VERSE

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What does Jesus require
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Obedience

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WHAT DO WE DO AT FPKIDS?

“At FPKids we focus the entire year on one thing and one thing only. We talk about what Jesus said.”

WHAT IS THE ONLY THING WE TALK ABOUT?

YOU SAY: What Jesus Said

KIDS SAY: What Jesus Said

“That is simple enough. We care about what Jesus said. So what do we do at FPKids? We take what Jesus said and... We Read It. We See It. We Live It. We Tell It.” (Do motions with RSLT)

What do we do at FPKids? We take what Jesus said and...

YOU SAY: READ IT, SEE IT, LIVE IT, TELL IT

KIDS SAY: READ IT, SEE IT, LIVE IT, TELL IT

THIS WEEK IS SEE IT WEEK

YOU SAY: See It Week

THEY SAY: See It Week

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“This week is See It week. This week we are going to go deep into what Jesus said and what He meant by it. We read that Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching.’ Well here it is. Are you ready to listen to what Jesus said and really dig deep to understand what He was really saying? This is what Followers of Jesus do. Many people have heard what Jesus said, but disciples respond in understanding and obedience.”

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WHERE IS THE ONLY PLACE TO FIND WHAT JESUS SAID?
KIDS SAY: In the Bible

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF A DISCIPLE?
THEY SAY: To be like their Teacher

WHAT DOES JESUS REQUIRE OF HIS FOLLOWERS?
THEY SAY: Obedience

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HAVE A STUDENT PRAY THE PRAYER OF PREPARING
“But before we really get started, will someone please pray for us?
Please start by asking the Lord to prepare our hearts and minds for this time together.”

REVIEW JOHN 15:12

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REVIEW MOTIONS

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“While we Read It and Learn what Jesus said we always want to See It. What we mean by see it is that we want it to change how we see the world around us. We want to see truth the way Jesus sees it.”

PLAY THE MIRROR GAME

Have kids find a partner and face each other. Tell them to put both of their hands up with their palms out like they would give each other high-fives. The game is not a competition, what they are trying to do it mirror each other’s movement. Have one person take the lead and as they make slow movements with their head, face and hands, the other person tries to copy it. One person can be the leader and then they can switch.

WHO HERE HAS EVER PLAYED SIMON SAYS?

I’m sure all of you at some point have played the game Simon Says. It can be a lot of fun. The point of the game is for someone to call out all the rules, but really they’re trying to get people “out.” That’s how people look at obedience. They look at commands like a bunch of rules and the purpose of the rules is not to break them. But I want to tell you, that’s not what the commands of Jesus are like. I’ll tell you why.

WHAT JESUS COMMANDS US TO DO... HE IS ALREADY DOING

Do you understand what I’m saying? The things Jesus commands us to do, He asks us to do them because He is doing them. Obedience to Jesus is not like Simon Says, it’s like the Mirror game.

HAVE A STUDENT READ JOHN 15:12

“My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.”

JESUS COMMANDS US TO LOVE EACH OTHER

If you know anything about Jesus, you should know that He wants us to love each other. He talked about it all the time. He told us to love our neighbors, the poor, the sick, the hungry and even to love our enemies. He was all about love. But it’s not just a rule to Him. Do you know why He loves everyone? He told us why.

HAVE A STUDENT READ JOHN 15:9

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you.”

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JESUS LOVES BECAUSE GOD THE FATHER LOVES

Jesus loves because He is being obedient to His father. Then He asks us to do the same. He asks us to obey Him and to love each other.

THE GOAL OF A DISCIPLE IS TO BE LIKE JESUS

Isn't that what we have been talking about all along, every year? We want to be like Jesus so we learn what He said so that we can do it too. True disciples love copying Jesus.

BRING UP 2 STUDENTS TO DO THE MIRROR GAME

One student will be “Jesus” and the other one a “Disciple.” Have them face each other. You will read out the following:

1. Read John 13:14 “Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet.”
2. Have “Jesus” touch the shoes of the “Disciple.”
3. How does the “Disciple” respond? By touching Jesus' feet? NO
4. The “Disciple” goes and touches the feet of someone else.
5. Have this mirroring happen throughout the whole room until everyone has been “washed.”

DO YOU SEE THIS BEAUTIFUL PICTURE OF WHAT DISCIPLESHIP IS ALL ABOUT?

“And it all started with someone copying Jesus.”

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“Every week we take what Jesus said and we Read It, we See It and we Live it. That means that what Jesus said changes how we live. It changes what we say and what we do.”

GIVE STUDENTS AN ACTIVE WAY TO RESPOND

“Here’s what I want you to do after you leave today. I want you to go home from here and find this verse in your own Bible. I want you to read it for yourself. Not only that, I want you to read what He said before and after. Take a piece of paper and write down what Jesus said and stick it on your mirror. Put what Jesus taught in a place where you will see it every day so it will be on your mind and heart this whole month.”

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“So after we Read It, See It and Live It... We Tell It. We take time every single week to be proclaimers of the Good News about Jesus. That is why every week we share the Gospel Step-Up. For most of you this is the first time you are sharing the Gospel.”

STUDENT DOES GOSPEL STEP-UP

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HAVE A STUDENT PRAY THE PRAYER OF GOING

“As we go from our time together will someone please come and pray a prayer for us? Start by asking the Lord to be with us as we go from this place back into our school and that His Word would remain with us...”

RELEASE KIDS TO CLASS

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