

Lesson #1-29

THE GREAT COMMISSION

Matthew 28:16-20



Key Verse:

"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." Matthew 28:19

The Point:

Jesus sends us to make disciples by teaching others to follow Jesus.

Unit Theme (April 2—April 16)

God's Greatest Promise

TODAY'S MISSIONARIES

Learn about contemporary missionary work.

Supplies:

† Optional: Internet-connected devices with projection, card-making supplies

Preparation:

 Research your denomination's missionary board and find out where missionaries today go and what approach they use to share the good news. Many missionaries or outreach departments have websites, videos, or other resources that you could plan to show your group.

Instructions:

- 1. Ask the group the following questions, and fill in any details from your research:
 - What do missionaries do today?

- Have other nations sent missionaries to our region?
- How might you be a missionary in your own community?
- How might we remember or support missionaries in our church or worship services?
- 2. If desired, set up a card-making station within or outside of your worship space or break into small groups to make cards to send to missionaries to show support and for them to give to the people with whom they minister. Perhaps your congregation can designate a Sunday to educate worshippers about missionaries and raise support for them either using denominational resources or by planning it yourselves.