

*Mentoring kids to be empowered disciples of Jesus now!*

## What is Kids In Discipleship?

Kids in Discipleship (K.I.D.) is a ministry that equips congregations, parents, and mentors to implement the model of discipleship described in Deuteronomy.

*Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. —Deuteronomy 6:4-7 NIV*

Through this intentional discipleship focus, parents/mentors and children grow in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and with one another. Families are then empowered to use their gifts in worship, ministry, and mission.

## Why disciple children?

Current research shows that there is a clear window of time in which to secure our children's hearts to Jesus. According to barnaresearch.org, people are most open to accepting Jesus between the ages of 5-13. After that time it becomes more difficult to make this life-changing decision.

## How are children disciplined?

Footprints for Kids is a 24 lesson intergenerational Bible study course, where parents and mentors work alongside their children and participate in a highly interactive small group. Footprints for Kids lessons assist adults as they mentor their children in three areas:

- 1) Build Your Relationship with Jesus
- 2) Know the Truth of Jesus
- 3) Share Jesus with Others.

*Each lesson also includes a take-home resource that reinforces the points of the Bible study.*

## How are Parents/Mentors equipped to disciple their own children?

Before participating in Footprints for Kids, parents and mentors go through Footprints for Parents & Mentors, a set of 12 small group Bible studies drawn from the lives of Bible characters that equip adults to become the primary spiritual nurturer of their own children. Parents and mentors learn to grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and learn how to be intentional as they disciple their children to Jesus.



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