

THE CHURCH AS CHRIST'S DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE:

“So Jesus said to the Jews who believed in him. If you continue to obey my teaching, you are truly my followers. Then you will know the truth. And the truth will make you free” (John 8:31-32)

PLAY:

Put your arms around your child and say “You are trapped. The only way to get free is to follow my instructions” Let the child squirm until he/she is ready to follow your instructions. Your instructions should be something creative, such as tug on the ear 5 times or clap your hands 2 times and sing ‘Jesus loves me’. Once they have followed the instruction, release them.

TALK:

When you are stuck, directions can help you - but only if you follow them. Jesus told his followers that they were truly His disciples if they continued to obey His instructions. If they did, they would know the truth, and it would set them free. Following Jesus and his directions, which are found in the Bible, brings freedom. This was true for those who believed in Jesus when He was on earth and it's also true for us today. We need to obey Jesus and His instructions. What are some of the instructions Jesus has given us? *[Allow your kids to share their thoughts]*

PRAY:

Ask God to help you obey His word and learn more about Him every day