

Growing in a Relationship With God

Share Him

Lesson #12 for June 20, 2026

Scriptures: Matthew 28:18-20; 2 Peter 3:18; 1 Peter 3:8-22; Hosea 7; Zechariah 10; Isaiah 50:4.

1. In the term *Share Him*, who is *Him*? What should we share? Why should we share?
2. In this lesson, we will emphasize two texts: 1) Matthew 28:18-20; and 2) 1 Peter 3:8-22.

Out of the Overflow

[From the *Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guide*=BSG:] **Read the Great Commission in Matthew 28:18–20. Write down the different messages of Jesus when He says “all” or “always” (which in Greek is the same word *pas*).—BSG* for Sunday, June 14.†§**

[From the *Adult Teachers Sabbath School Bible Study Guide*=T-BSG:] We ended ... [the last lesson] with Job’s vision of the Redeemer, who “shall stand at the latter day upon the earth” (*Job 19:25*).—*T-BSG** 158.†§

Job 19:25: But I know there is someone in heaven

who will come at last to my defense.—American Bible Society. (©1992). *The Holy Bible: The Good News Translation*^{®*} [GNT] (*Today’s English Version*) [TEV], Second Edition (Job 19:25). Philadelphia: American Bible Society [abbreviated as *Good News Bible-TEV** or *GNB-TEV**].‡

[T-BSG:] We will learn how to share this extraordinary vision with the people on this earth. For that purpose, we will focus on two important biblical passages.—*T-BSG** 158.‡

Read Matthew 28:18-20.

[T-BSG:] The first passage is Matthew 28:16–20, in which Jesus charges His disciples—and us—with the Great Commission. **This passage, which reports Jesus’ last words, marks the climax of the whole gospel. It is an important text that confronts us with our responsibility to share the hope of Jesus Christ with all the nations.** This mission, which is based on the divine authority of Jesus, has a universal scope and ensures God’s presence on our side till the end of time (*Matt. 28:20*).—*T-BSG** 158.†§

[T-BSG:] **The Authority of Jesus.** As soon as the 11 disciples see the resurrected Christ, they worship Him. **They understand that He has triumphed over death** (see *Rev. 1:18*) and **that He is God**. In fact, the phrase “spoke to them, saying” (*Matt. 28:18, NKJV*), which introduces Jesus’ words, is a replica of the key phrase that regularly introduces the word of God in the book of Exodus (*Exod. 6:10; compare with Exod. 6:29, Exod. 7:8, etc.*). Jesus’ words confirm the disciples’ understanding of His identity and of His divine authority “in heaven and on earth” (*Matt. 28:18, NKJV*). **The domain, or reach, of His authority encompasses all of creation, granting Him the universal sovereignty of Creator** (*Gen. 1:1*). The word “all” is repeated three times (*Matt. 28:18, 19, 20*), just as in the conclusion of the Creation story (*Gen. 2:1–3*). **The word “all,” which applies to His authority, occurs twice in His commission** (*Matt. 28:19,*

20). It is precisely because of “all” of His divine authority that Jesus is entitled to charge His disciples with the commission to reach “all” nations and to teach “all” that He has commanded.—*T-BSG** 159.†§

3. **As Seventh-day Adventists, we have not only been told to spread the gospel to the whole world, but also we have been told to spread a specific message about the final events of this world’s history.**
4. Read Revelation 14:6-12.
5. ***If you were speaking to a non-Christian, is that the kind of message with which you would want to start?***
6. Let us not forget that anyone who has become a Christian is called to be a witness to others. Many people are very hesitant to do that. They do not think they are capable; or, they do not want to do it. They say, “That is the pastor’s job!”
7. Let us remember that the first disciples had little education before they met Jesus.
8. ***We know how to read and write; we have publications widely available. What is our excuse? Do we think that Matthew 28:19-20 does not apply to us?***
Acts 1:8: [Jesus said:] “But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and **you will be witnesses for me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**”—*Good News Bible-TEV.*††*
Acts 4:13: The members of the Council were amazed to see how bold Peter and John were and to learn that they were ordinary men of no education. **They realized then that they had been companions of Jesus.**—*GNB-TEV.*†*
9. How would you feel as a poor uneducated fisherman standing before the august gathering of so-called saints in Jerusalem and testifying about Jesus? Fortunately, even those people in the Sanhedrin (the “congress” of their day) soon recognized that “they [Peter and John] had been with Jesus.” It was the Holy Spirit who gave the disciples the right words to speak and the boldness to speak. Peter and John concluded by saying:
Acts 4:20: “For we cannot stop speaking of what we ourselves have seen and heard.”—*Good News Bible-TEV.**
10. ***Do we have any questions about what the Holy Spirit wants us to do? Would we dare to bow down on our knees—or even without bowing on our knees—ask God to give us the Holy Spirit and show us where we can witness?***
11. **Read 1 John 4:7-11.** Remember what Jesus said to His disciples on the last night He had with them before the crucifixion:
John 13:35: “If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.”—*Good News Bible-TEV.**
12. ***Have you ever wondered what it was that attracted people to Jesus? We have evidence that people came to Him from the far north in Syria all the way to the far south, almost in Egypt. And many of them came not because of the healing but because they had heard what He had to say.***
13. ***Do we have the love and compassion that Jesus had?***
[BSG:] Have you ever wondered how Jesus maintained the motivation to labor, heal, comfort, preach, and teach so many people day after day?

We're told that "when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd" (*Matt. 9:36, NKJV*).—BSG* for Monday, June 15.†§

Matthew 9:36: As he saw the crowds, his heart was filled with pity for them, because they were worried and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.—*Good News Bible-TEV*.*

[BSG:] **It was Jesus' love and compassion toward humanity that drove His labor. In a similar way, God's love in us should compel us to feel the burden of leading souls to Him and to His truth** (*2 Cor. 5:14*).—BSG* for Monday, June 15.†§

[BSG:] **Have you ever looked at the faces of strangers in a crowd and thought ahead to eternity, to wonder if they know Jesus? Have you ever felt what can only be the love of God in you toward a stranger in need?** God's love in us compels us to feel the burden of leading souls to Him. Jeremiah expressed this when he said, " 'His word was in my heart like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I was weary of holding it back, and I could not' " (*Jer. 20:9, NKJV*).—BSG* for Monday, June 15.†§

14. ***Have you ever felt like you needed to grab someone by the neck and try to force him/her to be a believer?***

[BSG:] **However, when we share God with others, we should never try to force someone to accept God or His Bible truth. Coercion goes against the very heart of God's character.** God didn't force Adam and Eve to stay away from the tree of knowledge of good and evil (*Gen. 2:16, 17*). He didn't force people into the ark to be saved from the Flood (*Gen. 7:1*). He didn't force the Israelites to remain in their covenant with Him (*Deut. 4:29–31*). **Instead, He met their needs** (*Matt. 4:23–25*) **and then invited them to follow Him. Jesus never forced anyone to follow Him or His truth, but He never gives up on us** (*Matt. 23:37*).—BSG* for Monday.†§

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15. **Read Matthew 4:23-25.** How do you understand these verses?

16. If we exhibited the love of Christ to those around us, would we be attracting them?

[From the writings of Ellen G. White=EGW:] **It is no part of Christ's mission to compel men to receive Him. It is Satan, and men actuated by his spirit, that seek to compel the conscience.... There can be no more conclusive evidence that we possess the spirit of Satan than the disposition to hurt and destroy those who do not appreciate our work, or who act contrary to our ideas.**—Ellen G. White, *The Desire of Ages** 487.3.†† [Underlining of text is added for emphasis.]†

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17. What do you think it is that attracts people to the gospel in our day? The most powerful witness "is a loving and lovable Christian."

[EGW:] **No other influence that can surround the human soul has such power as the influence of an unselfish life. The strongest**

argument in favor of the gospel is a loving and lovable Christian.—

Ellen G. White, *The Ministry of Healing** 470.1.†‡

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18. Are we growing in grace every day so that we attract others to God?

2 Peter 3:18: But continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory, now and forever! Amen.—*Good News Bible-TEV*.*

Tips for Sharing Jesus (Witnessing)

[BSG:] The question for each of us is: With whom are you sharing Jesus—the postal carrier, a store clerk, someone you see daily when you’re out walking? God calls every believer to help Him with this work, and He promises to give you “ ‘the tongue of the learned, that [you] should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary’ ” (*Isa. 50:4, NKJV*). **It is also the duty of the Christian to always be prepared to give a defense (*apologia*) for the faith and hope that is in us (1 Pet. 3:15).**—*BSG** for Tuesday, June 16.†‡Ω§

19. Read 1 Peter 3:8-22.

[T-BSG:] The second passage [emphasized in this lesson] is 1 Peter 3:8–18, 21, 22. **Here, the apostle urges us to work on the formation of our personal character. He also exhorts us to work within our communities and to learn to love one another, thus preparing ourselves spiritually to share the good news of the gospel with the world. This work aims to foster unity in the church, as well as encourages the resilience of its members in times of persecution.** This work also confronts us with our responsibility to Jesus Christ, who died for us and saves us through His resurrection and His intercession in the heavenly sanctuary (*Heb. 7:25*).—*T-BSG** 158.†‡

[T-BSG:] **Preparation for Sharing the Good News (1 Pet. 3:8–15, 21, 22).** Peter introduces 1 Peter 3:8–15, 21, 22 with the word “finally” (*telos*), thus indicating the conclusion of the previous section dealing with the testimony of the church to the world (*1 Pet. 2:11–3:7*). The passage in 1 Peter 3:8–15, 21, 22 is, therefore, particularly relevant to the mission of the church. Yet, whereas the text of the Great Commission is concerned with **why** we must reach out to the nations, Peter’s letter focuses on **how** to prepare ourselves for that mission. First, he addresses the problem of relationships within the community of believers (*1 Pet. 3:8, 9*). Next, he addresses the challenge of relationships with unbelievers, who do not share with us the same spiritual goals and values in life (*1 Pet. 3:13–17*). To encourage his brothers and sisters to endure suffering in doing good, Peter refers to the example of Jesus (*1 Pet. 3:18*).—*T-BSG** 159-160.†‡§

20. For many of us, one of the challenges is to live as Christians with our spouses.

Read 1 Peter 3:3-7.

[T-BSG:] **Appeal for Unity and Love.** Peter begins with the most important, and probably the most challenging, aspect of our

preparation for sharing the gospel. He invites “all of you” (*1 Pet. 3:8, NKJV*)—that is, all the members of the church—to work on how we relate to one another. To that end, Peter emphasizes the need for unity and love. Peter has in mind the disputes that divide groups within the church. For Peter, the solution to this problem is brotherly love, which he does not define as mere sentimental emotion. **Five adjectives are used in his description of what it means to be united in a spirit of love [brotherly love]:**

First, we must be “**of one mind**” (*1 Pet. 3:8*), a term that refers to the need to be in harmony with one another.

Second, believers should also be **sympathetic** toward one another. That is, we must be sensitive to one another’s needs and concerns.

Third, the phrase “**love as brothers**” (*1 Pet. 3:8, NKJV*) implies the kindness that exists between siblings in the same family. Based on our common connection with Christ, we are part of the family of God. As such, we are enjoined to love one another.

Fourth, church members should be “**compassionate**”; that is, they should be merciful and willing to forgive one another, just as Christ has forgiven them.

Last but not least, they should be “**humble**” (*NIV*), the fifth and final criterion on Peter’s list. Humility consists in deference. Being deferential involves the willingness to esteem one’s brother more highly than oneself.—*T-BSG** 160.†§

[T-BSG:] The next lines elaborate on the practical application of these qualities. Concretely speaking, this ideal of love means that we should not return evil for evil to the brother or sister who harmed us (*1 Pet. 3:9*). On the contrary, we should bless them in response, as Jesus urged us to do (*Luke 6:29*). To support his argument, Peter quotes from Psalm 34, which focuses on the potential harm of the tongue when we gossip or insult (*Ps. 34:13*). Peter contrasts this potential harm with the blessing that accompanies those who seek peace (*1 Pet. 3:11, 12*). The *shalom*, or peace, that unites the members of the church will bring a blessing from God, so that the world may know that He sent Jesus and has loved us as He has loved the Son (*John 17:22, 23*).—*T-BSG** 160.†§

21. We have been told that persecution will come, especially in the last days. Are we prepared to stand up under persecution and witness for the truth? Even today, people in many parts of the world are being tortured or even killed because they are professing Christianity. When will that come to us?

[T-BSG:] **Suffering Persecution.** Continuing in the same line of thought, Peter considers the case of the one who suffers persecution for his or her faith at the hands of the wicked unbeliever (*1 Pet. 3:13, 14*). Even then, argues Peter, if you are innocent and you suffer unjustly, you should not return evil for evil for two reasons. First, because the suffering of the righteous is a blessing, God is on your side. Second, because affliction affords you a great opportunity to witness and to defend your faith (*1 Pet.*

3:15). Peter reasons that it is better to suffer for doing good than to suffer for doing evil (*1 Pet. 3:17*). **The underlying ethical principle of these recommendations is that it is better to suffer as a victim than to cause suffering as an oppressor.** To support his argument about the positiveness of suffering, Peter refers to Christ, the Just One, who suffered for the unjust and, through His suffering, brought salvation to the unjust (*1 Pet. 3:18*). As a result, Christ is exalted and now sits at the right hand of God.—*T-BSG** 160-161.†§

[BSG:] Here are some simple tips to keep in mind as you consider how to be more intentional about sharing Jesus with others:

- **Get to know someone and build a friendship over time.** Your warmth, kindness, and genuine interest in them (being “lovable”) will help draw them to God. (Some call this “friendship evangelism.”)
- **Pray for the Holy Spirit to work on the person’s heart. Pray for the right opportunities to interact with them.**
- **Look for natural ways to talk about your own faith experiences or offer a prayer for them. Ask God to give you boldness but gentleness in your approach.**
- **Find ways to connect your new friend with others from your church, so that they can experience the embrace of your church community. A social or small group Bible study is a good next step.**
- Pray about the specific needs or questions your new friend might have and look for an opportunity to show them how the Bible offers comfort, advice, and guidance in our lives. You might simply share one Bible promise at first or answer one question, which will open the door for deeper discussions. Pray for those too.
- **There will come a time you’ll want to ask if your friend would like to take a next step (Bible study and, eventually, baptism). Don’t rush these steps but also don’t lag. Pray about this.**
- **Our actions should reveal whose we are. How we treat others in our lives will speak volumes. As our characters are shaped in His likeness (sanctification), we will live to draw all people to Him.—***BSG** for Tuesday, June 16.†‡

Ephraim: A Wandering Child

22. All of us could, no doubt, tell stories about young people who have been rebellious and wandered away from the original instructions given by their parents. Think about all the advice that King Solomon gave us in the book of Proverbs!

23. **Read Hosea 7:1-16.**

24. Ephraim was the largest tribe in Israel. They also seemed to be the tribe that was ready to wander away from God. And how did God respond?

Hosea 4:17: “The people of Israel are under the spell of idols. Let them go their own way.”—*Good News Bible-TEV.** [Did God given up on them?][‡]

[BSG:] Furthermore, we read that Rachel, the grandmother of Ephraim, metaphorically weeps because Ephraim has walked away from a relationship with the Lord (*Jer. 31:15*). The Lord responds to her great sadness with these words in Jeremiah 31:16, 17: “ ‘Refrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears; for your work shall be rewarded, says the LORD, and they shall come back from the land of the enemy. There is hope in your future, says the LORD, that your children shall come back to their own border’ ” (*NKJV*).—*BSG** for Wednesday, June 17.†§

25. **Read Jeremiah 31:15-17.**

[BSG:] **Through Ephraim’s story, we learn that there is always hope, because God doesn’t give up.** Although He rebukes His wayward people time and time again, God’s compassion never fails, and His message in this chapter continues (*see Jer. 31:20*).—*BSG** for Wednesday, June 17.†§

[BSG:] We might feel great pain, frustration, and discouragement, or even speak negatively of those who are close to us who have walked away from a relationship with God. Yet, God reminds us that He has not forgotten the wayward child—not at all! God’s thoughts for such a person are not fleeting but instead are heartfelt and sincere. In fact, God says that His heart yearns for such individuals. He longs for them to return to Him, and His mercy is great.

How does knowing that this is God’s response to Rachel’s pain over Ephraim’s waywardness make you feel about those you know who have walked away from a relationship with the Lord? How does this challenge or encourage you?—*BSG** for Wednesday, June 17.‡

Bringing Them Back

26. ***Have you ever wandered away from the straight path that you were taught as a child? What was it that brought you back? God did almost everything you could imagine to bring His people back.***

27. **Zechariah 10 shares some beautiful messages about God bringing His people back to Him. Read Zechariah 10:1-12 slowly, and take note of the main messages.**

[BSG:] **In a practical sense, knowing how to relate to, and interact with, a loved one who has walked away from a relationship with the Lord can be challenging.** You might wonder how things could have evolved for a different outcome; you might wonder how to interact with them now that they have a different worldview; and you might feel frustrated and helpless about the poor decisions they may still be making. These thoughts will always impact how you treat your loved one, and it’s therefore so important to live and speak from the overflow of your personal time with your Savior.

The testimony of your life, your actions, your words, and your prayers for your spouse or child who has walked away from God can radically change their lives and future. (Read in Luke 22:31, 32 and John 21:15–17 how Jesus’ prayers for Peter changed his future.) **Surrender any sadness, judgment, or condemnation you might feel toward them, and instead ask God to replace these feelings with love that only He can give. Ask**

God to cover you with His character so that you can model a loving, unselfish attitude.—BSG* for Thursday, June 18.†‡

[BSG:] **Through our example of a consistent life that points others to Christ, those who have rejected Christ will see in us something that can come only from God.** They will see a peace that passes understanding, love that will never let go, and hope that believes against all odds. God's love for us and our loved ones never wavers. We can give this love, which we receive every day, to those around us.—BSG* for Thursday, June 18.†‡

28. ***What did Paul recommend we do? What should be our attitude toward those to whom we are trying to reach?***

Ephesians 3:17-19: ¹⁷And I pray that Christ will make his home in your hearts through faith. I pray that you may have your roots and foundation in love, ¹⁸so that you, together with all God's people, may have the power to understand how broad and long, how high and deep, is Christ's love. ¹⁹Yes, may you come to know his love—although it can never be fully known—and so be completely filled with the very nature of God.—GNB-TEV.*

[EGW:] Love is the basis of godliness. Whatever the profession, no man has pure love to God unless he has unselfish love for his brother. But we can never come into possession of this spirit **by trying** to love others. What is needed is the love of Christ in the heart. When self is merged in Christ, love springs forth spontaneously. **The completeness of Christian character is attained when the impulse to help and bless others springs constantly from within—when the sunshine of heaven fills the heart and is revealed in the countenance.**—Ellen G. White, *Christ's Object Lessons** 384.2.†‡§

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[EGW:] **Those who are most actively employed in doing with interested fidelity their work to win souls to Jesus Christ are the best developed in spirituality and devotion.** Their very active working forms the means of their spirituality. **There is danger of religion losing in depth that which it gains in breadth.** This need not be if, in the place of long sermons, there is wise education given to those newly come to the faith. Teach them by giving them something to do in some line of spiritual work, that their first love will not die but increase in fervor. **Let them feel that they are not to be carried and to lean for support on the church; but they are to have root in themselves.** They can be in many lines, according to their several abilities, useful in helping the church to come nearer to God, and working in various ways to act upon the elements outside the church which will be a means of acting beneficially upon the church. The wisdom and prosperity of the church casts a telling influence upon her favor. The Psalmist prayed for the prosperity of the church, "God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; that thy way may be known upon the earth, thy saving health among all nations."—Ellen G. White, *Letter 44, 1892*,* par. 10-11 [*Letters and Manuscripts*,* vol. 7 (1891-1892) p. 1.4653]; *Evangelism**€ 356.3.†‡

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[EGW:] The persecution that came upon the church in Jerusalem resulted in giving a great impetus to the work of the gospel. Success had attended the ministry of the word in that place, and there was danger that the disciples would linger there too long, unmindful of the Saviour's [*sic*-British spelling] commission to go to all the world. Forgetting that **strength to resist evil is best gained by aggressive service**, they began to think that they had no work so important as that of shielding the church in Jerusalem from the attacks of the enemy. Instead of educating the new converts to carry the gospel to those who had not heard it, they were in danger of taking a course that would lead all to be satisfied with what had been accomplished. **To scatter His representatives abroad, where they could work for others, God permitted persecution to come upon them.** Driven from Jerusalem, the believers "went everywhere preaching the word."—Ellen G. White, *The Acts of the Apostles** 105.2.†† [Underlining of text is added for emphasis.]†

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[EGW:] And he who seeks to give light to others will himself be blessed. "There shall be showers of blessing." "He that watereth shall be watered also himself." Proverbs 11:25. God could have reached His object in saving sinners without our aid; but in order for us to develop a character like Christ's, we must share in His work. **In order to enter into His joy,—the joy of seeing souls redeemed by His sacrifice,—we must participate in His labors for their redemption.**—Ellen G. White, *The Desire of Ages** 142.2.†† [\[https://egwwritings.org/read?panels=p130.614&index=0\]](https://egwwritings.org/read?panels=p130.614&index=0)†

[EGW:] In view of this command, can we educate our sons and daughters for **a life of respectable conventionality, a life professedly Christian, but lacking His self-sacrifice, a life on which the verdict of Him who is truth must be, "I know you not"?**

Thousands are doing this. They think to secure for their children the benefits of the gospel while they deny its spirit. But this cannot be. **Those who reject the privilege of fellowship with Christ in service, reject the only training that imparts a fitness for participation with Him in His glory.** They reject the training that in this life gives strength and nobility of character. **Many a father and mother, denying their children to the cross of Christ, have learned too late that they were thus giving them over to the enemy of God and man. They sealed their ruin, not alone for the future but for the present life. Temptation overcame them. They grew up a curse to the world, a grief and shame to those who gave them being.**—Ellen G. White, *Education** 264.2-3.†† [How sad!]†

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[BSG:] **Discussion Questions:**

1. **Why is love so foundational and essential for any kind of effective witnessing?**

2. **When have you found this to be true: that soul winning is linked to a personal and vibrant walk with God?**
3. **Is there a baseline or basic understanding that is needed to share God with others? If so, what might this be?**
4. **When it comes to giving a Bible study to a nonbeliever, where would you begin? What is your initial focus: proving certain doctrines or inviting someone to know Jesus?**
5. **Sing or listen to the words from the hymn “Redeemed!” (*The Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal*, no. 338) and reflect on the ways you are proclaiming it.—BSG* for Friday, June 19.†§**

[BSG:] **Summary:** When God’s love and His living, powerful Word fill our daily lives, we will be compelled to love and share Him with those around us. We should be prayerful, thoughtful, and intentional about witnessing, believing that His Word, which goes forth from His mouth, shall not return to Him void, but it shall accomplish what He pleases, and it shall prosper in the things for which He sent it (see *Isa. 55:11*).—BSG* for Friday, June 19.†§

[T-BSG:] **Activity 2: “Go!” (*Matt. 28:19*).**

1. What does the word “Go!” suggest to you?
2. **Compare Jesus’ command “Go” to God’s command to Abraham to “go.”** Make a list of similarities and differences. For instance, Abraham goes to a *place* he does not know, whereas you go to *people* you do not know, et cetera.
3. How does your list of comparisons deepen your appreciation for, and understanding of, the Great Commission?

Activity 3: “Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you” (*Matt. 28:19, NKJV*).

1. List the “things” that Jesus has commanded you to do. For example, love, show grace, remember His truths. What other “things” can you add to this list?
2. Think of ways to put these commands into practice this week.

Activity 4: “I am with you” (*Matt. 28:20*). (Please note that this activity can be done as a group, or someone may be selected to sing the hymn as a solo.)

1. Sing the hymn “No, Never Alone” (for lyrics and MIDI recording, see www.Hymnary.org).
2. How does this hymn make you feel?
3. What comfort and hope does it give you?—T-BSG* 161-162.†§

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