

# Include Kids in Evangelism: Biblical Basis for Kids' EE

**Key principles** that are the foundational biblical principles of Evangelism Explosion and the bedrock foundation for the Kids' EE ministry are:

- **Every Christian is to be a witness** (Mark 1:17, Acts 1:8).
- **Equip Christians to share the Gospel** (Ephesians 4:11-12).
- **Equipping is best done by on-the-job training** (Mark 3:14).
- **Training soul winners is more important than just winning souls** (II Timothy 2:2).

In light of these Scriptures, it is vital to provide an equipping ministry for children who are Christians. **Additional key biblical principles** that support a specific evangelism and training ministry for children are:

- Kids are a gift from the Lord (Psalm 127:3).
- Kids have a special place in Jesus' heart (Mark 10:13-16).
- Adults must pass on God's truths to the next generation (Psalm 78:1-4).
- Kids need to understand the Gospel and experience salvation through Christ at an early age (II Timothy 3:14-15).
- Kids can be trained to share the Gospel with others (Proverbs 22:6).
- As a model, Jesus served His Father at an early age (Luke 2:41-52).

**These biblical truths are the heart of the Kids' EE ministry.** They are the scriptural framework for building a ministry to reach children with the Gospel and equip them to be soul-winners. **These principles permeate all Kids' EE material and are the rationale for all that is taught.**

## **Find opportunities to discuss these Scriptures with parents, team leaders and kids:**

Mark 1:17 . . . Then Jesus said to them, “Follow Me and I will make you become fishers of men.”

Acts 1:8 . . . But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

Ephesians 4:11-12 . . . And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry . . .

Mark 3:14 . . . Then He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach . . .

2 Timothy 2:2 . . . And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

Psalms 127:3 . . . Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward.

Mark 10:13-16 . . . Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God.”

Psalms 78:1-4 . . . Give ear, O my people, to my law; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings of old, which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children, telling to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and His strength and His wonderful works that He has done.

2 Timothy 3:14-15 . . . But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Proverbs 22:6 . . . Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Luke 2:41-52 . . . (Read from Bible the account of Jesus as a child, age 12, obedient to His Father’s will. As a model, Jesus served His Father at an early age.)