

WEEK 4

AT HOME GUIDE

MISSION POSSIBLE

Whether it's Bond, Bourne, or Charlie's Angels, every spy has to be ready for anything. There's a guy in the Bible named Peter who always seemed ready for anything too. He was a little hot-headed, but Jesus saw potential in him. Peter wrote letter to the early followers of Jesus to help them as they struggled to tell the world about Jesus. Here's a summary of something he said: "Always be ready to give an answer for the hope you have. But be gentle." The same is true today! People are looking for answers, love, meaning, and hope. Because of Jesus, you have the opportunity to help others find the same hope you've found. But in order to share the good news of Jesus effectively, use your words wisely. **Be ready.** And be gentle too.

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

Be ready.

THE BIBLE

Matthew 28:18-20; I Peter 1:3-9, 3:8-17;
Colossians 4:3-6

- Are you usually prepared, or not? Give us an example.
- While Jesus was on earth, how do you think Jesus prepared His followers for their mission?
- On a scale of 1-5, how prepared do you feel to join Jesus on His mission? Why?
- From what you know about Peter, how would you describe him? Can you relate to him? Why or why not?
- In the early days of the Church, what challenges did Christians face? How are those challenges different from (or similar to) the challenges Christians face today?
- If you follow Jesus, what is the most challenging part of sharing your faith with others?
- Why do you think so many people see Christians as judgmental? What could Christians do to change that view?
- Read Colossians 4:3-6. What's one example of how not to talk about Jesus?
- Have you ever heard someone talk about their faith in a way that was both confident and gentle? Tell us about them! What can we learn from their example?
- This week, what's one thing you could do to "be ready" to talk about the hope you have in Jesus?