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# Follow the Leader

God wants us to learn from people who follow God. On each footprint, write the name of someone you know who follows God. This might be a brother or sister, your parents, a grandparent, a teacher, your pastor, or a friend. Then write down one way this person follows God.

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# Elisha Becomes a Prophet

Bible Story from 1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:1-15

**Narrator:** God had told Elijah to go and find a young man named Elisha. This young man would be God's new prophet and Elijah's helper and friend. Elijah traveled until he came to a field. There he saw his new friend Elisha, plowing the field with 12 pairs of oxen.

**Elijah:** Hello, Elisha. I am giving you my coat.

**Narrator:** Elijah draped the coat over the young man's shoulders and walked away. Elisha ran after Elijah.

**Elisha:** I know that you have given me your coat because you want me to be your helper. I want you to train me to be a prophet like you are. Please let me first say good-bye to my family. Then I'll go with you.

**Elijah:** Do whatever you need to do.

**Narrator:** So Elisha went home and cooked a special dinner for his family and friends. Then he left home, ready to serve God as Elijah's helper. Elijah and Elisha traveled everywhere together. One day they came to the town of Gilgal.

**Elijah:** Elisha, stay here alone while I travel on. God wants me to go to Bethel.

**Elisha:** I won't leave you for anything!

**Narrator:** Elisha knew he had more to learn from Elijah. So the two men traveled on to Bethel. In Bethel, some men who were studying to be prophets came out to greet them. They spoke to Elisha.

**Prophets of Bethel:** Do you know God is going to take Elijah away from you?

**Elisha:** Yes, I know, but please don't talk about it.

**Narrator:** Elijah spoke to Elisha again.

**Elijah:** Stay here alone while I travel on. God wants me to go to Jericho.

**Elisha:** I won't leave you for anything!

**Narrator:** The two men traveled on to Jericho. In Jericho, another group of prophets had a message for Elisha.

**Prophets of Jericho:** Do you know that God will take Elijah away from you *today*?

**Elisha:** Yes, I know, but please don't talk about it.

**Narrator:** For the third time, Elijah spoke to Elisha.

**Elijah:** Stay here. The Lord has sent me to the Jordan River.

**Elisha:** I won't leave you for anything!

**Narrator:** The two traveled on together. As they came to the Jordan River, Elijah did a very strange thing.

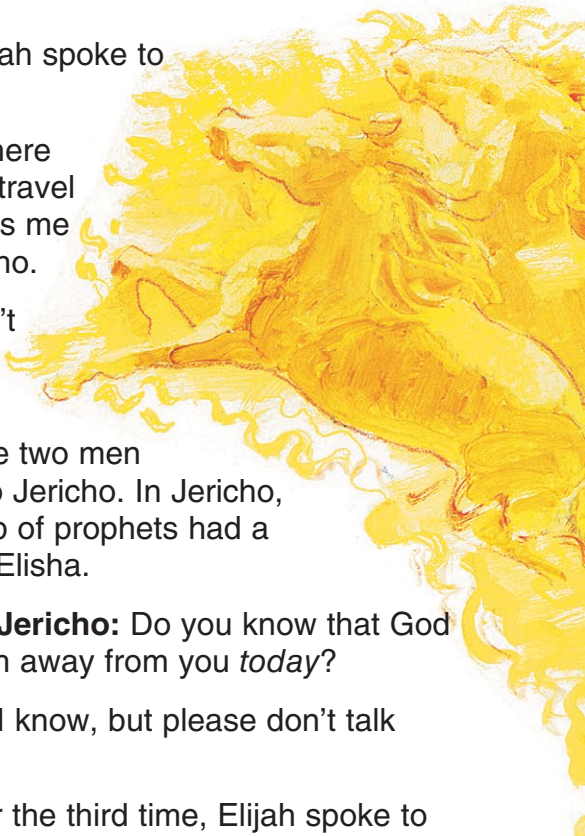
 **Read 2 Kings 2:8. What did Elijah do?**

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**Narrator:** The water divided and the two prophets crossed on dry ground. Elijah turned and spoke to his helper.

**Elijah:** Before I go away, tell me what you want me to do for you.

**Elisha:** God has given you special power. I want two times as much power to use for God.





**Elijah:** You have asked a hard thing. But, if you see me when I am taken away, you can be sure you will get what you asked.

**Narrator:** As they were walking along and talking together, a chariot and horses of fire suddenly appeared and came between the two of them.

📖 **Read 2 Kings 2:11. Unscramble the letters to see what God sent to carry Elijah up to heaven.**

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**Narrator:** Elisha saw everything. When it was over, he picked up the coat Elijah had dropped and went on his way. At the Jordan River, Elisha hit the water with the coat just as Elijah had done.

**Elisha:** Where is the Lord God of Elijah?

**Narrator:** Just like that, the water parted and Elisha crossed on dry ground! Some of the prophets from Jericho saw Elisha do this miracle.

**Prophets of Jericho:** The power God gave Elijah is now with Elisha, his helper!

**Narrator:** The prophets ran to meet Elisha and bowed to honor him. Elisha was ready. He had learned from Elijah who followed God.



Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. *1 Corinthians 11:1*



Here are some  
things to find out before  
you ask the questions below.

The person's name. \_\_\_\_\_

Who this person is \_\_\_\_\_

(friend, mother, father, sister, brother, pastor, other)

Choose one of the  
people that you wrote down  
on a footprint on page 1. This  
week talk with that person. Get to  
know him or her better. You  
will ask questions and the  
person will give  
you answers.

Here are some  
questions you  
can ask.

# Up Close With One of God's Followers

1 When did you first decide to follow God?

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2 What is the most important thing  
you've learned about following God?

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3 What advice would you give to  
someone who wanted to follow God?

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