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Take Heed, Watch, and Stay on Mission

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OVERVIEW

This week, we are learning how to follow Jesus in a world full of distractions.

Jesus taught His disciples something very important. Instead of telling them exactly when things would happen, He told them how to live.

- 👉 Take heed (be careful and pay attention)
- 👉 Watch (stay alert and aware)
- 👉 Stay on mission (keep sharing the good news about Jesus)

There are many things trying to get our attention every day. Some of them are not bad—but they can still distract us from what matters most.

God wants us to:

- Stay close to His Word
 - Pay attention to what He is saying
 - And keep sharing the gospel with others
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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

Hear → Answer → Think

- 👂 Hear – Read the Bible
- 💬 Answer – Talk about it
- 🧘 Think – Let God shape your heart

Have your Bible open and let God’s Word lead your answers.

📖 MEMORY VERSE

“Take heed that no one deceives you.” — Mark 13:5

SECTION 1 — TAKE HEED (DON'T BE LED AWAY)

WHAT DOES “TAKE HEED” MEAN?

It means pay attention, be careful, and don't let anything lead you away from God's truth.

BIG IDEA

God wants us to stay close to His truth so we are not led the wrong way.

READ

Mark 13:5, Colossians 2:8

TALK ABOUT IT

1. In Mark 13:5, what does Jesus tell us to be careful about?
2. In Colossians 2:8, what are we warned not to be taken captive by?
3. What does it mean to be led the wrong way?
4. Why is it important to listen to God instead of everything around us?
5. How can God's Word help us stay on the right path?

THINK ABOUT IT

- Am I listening to God's Word?
 - What voices am I paying attention to the most?
 - How can I stay closer to God's truth?
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SECTION 2 — TAKE HEED (DON'T GET DISTRACTED)

WHAT IS A DISTRACTION?

A distraction is anything that pulls your attention away from what matters most.

BIG IDEA

Not everything is bad—but some things can still pull us away from God.

READ

Hebrews 2:1, Psalm 1:1–2

TALK ABOUT IT

1. According to Hebrews 2:1, what happens if we don't pay attention?
2. In Psalm 1:1–2, what does someone who follows God focus on?
3. Can something be good but still distract us? How?
4. What are some things that distract people today?
5. Why is it important to guard what we focus on?

THINK ABOUT IT

- What distracts me the most?
 - Do I spend more time on screens or with God?
 - What can I change this week to focus more on God?
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SECTION 3 — WATCH (STAY ALERT)

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO WATCH?

It means to be alert, aware, and ready.

BIG IDEA

God wants us to be ready and paying attention to what He is doing.

READ

Mark 13:33, 1 Peter 5:8

TALK ABOUT IT

1. In Mark 13:33, what does Jesus tell us to do?
2. According to 1 Peter 5:8, how should we live?
3. Why is it important to be alert and not careless?
4. What does it look like to pay attention to God?
5. How can we stay ready in our everyday lives?

THINK ABOUT IT

- Am I paying attention to God or just going through my day?
 - Do I notice when God is speaking to me?
 - How can I become more aware of God this week?
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SECTION 4 — WATCH (SEE GOD'S WAY)

WHAT SHAPES HOW WE THINK?

We can let the world shape us—or we can let God's Word shape us.

BIG IDEA

God's Word helps us see things the right way.

READ

Romans 12:2, Psalm 119:105

TALK ABOUT IT

1. According to Romans 12:2, how are we changed?
2. In Psalm 119:105, what does God's Word do for us?
3. Why is it important to think the way God thinks?
4. What happens when we only listen to people instead of God?
5. How can we make God's Word the most important voice in our life?

THINK ABOUT IT

- What helps shape my thinking the most?
 - Do I go to God's Word first?
 - Where do I need to change how I think?
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SECTION 5 — STAY ON MISSION (SHARE JESUS)

WHAT IS OUR MISSION?

Our mission is to tell people about Jesus.

BIG IDEA

Every believer is called to share the good news of Jesus.

READ

Mark 13:10, Matthew 28:19–20

TALK ABOUT IT

1. According to Mark 13:10, what must happen?
2. In Matthew 28:19–20, what does Jesus tell us to do?
3. Who is called to share the gospel?
4. Where can we tell people about Jesus?
5. Why is this the most important mission?

THINK ABOUT IT

- Do I see myself as someone who can share Jesus?
 - Who can I tell about Jesus this week?
 - What is one way I can live on mission?
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PRACTICE FOR THE WEEK

THIS WEEK'S MISSION:

We Are God's Army — Stay on Mission

God has given us a mission.

-  Pay attention to Him
-  Stay alert
-  Tell people about Jesus

We are not just listening—we are **living it out this week**.

STEP 1 — TAKE HEED (KNOW THE TRUTH)

 **Read:** Mark 13:5

 **Pray:**

“God, help me listen to You.”
“Help me know what is true.”

 **Mission Action:**

- Spend time reading your Bible this week
 - Choose truth over distractions
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STEP 2 — WATCH (STAY ALERT)

 **Read:** Mark 13:33

 **Pray:**

“God, help me stay aware.”
“Help me notice what You are doing.”

 **Mission Action:**

- Pay attention to people around you
 - Look for someone who needs help, kindness, or prayer
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STEP 3 — STAY ON MISSION (SHARE JESUS)

 **Read:** Matthew 28:19–20

 **Pray:**

“God, show me who I can tell about You.”

“Give me courage to share Jesus.”

 **Mission Action:**

- Tell someone about Jesus
 - Invite someone to church
 - Pray for someone
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STEP 4 — FOLLOW JESUS DAILY

 **Pray:**

“Jesus, help me follow You every day.”

“Help me live Your way.”

 **Mission Action:**

- Choose to obey God
 - Make decisions that honor Him
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MISSION REMINDER

In the army, the mission always comes first.

As followers of Jesus:

- ✓ We take heed
- ✓ We stay alert
- ✓ We stay on mission

Because...

We are called to follow Jesus and share Him with the world.



ACTIVITY — STAY ON MISSION



Draw Your Mission with Jesus

Draw a big path or road across your page. This path shows how you follow Jesus every day.

**On the path, draw or write things that help you stay on THE MISSION.
Off to the sides of the path, draw things that distract you from the mission.**
