Jesus is alive! After the Resurrection...

The Great Commission- ‘Go and make disciples of all nations

**Background:** During the forty days after the Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples and followers in several different places. The Gospel of Matthew ends with one of these encounters.

Jesus asked the disciples to go to a mountain in Galilee, where he had first met many of them. When Jesus appeared, some of them doubted that he could really be alive. Nevertheless, despite their doubts, Jesus asked them to:

“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”

This is what we know as the Great Commission.
The Gospel of Mark finishes with a great promise by Jesus: “And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Bible reading: Matthew 28: 16-20

“Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Things to do at home - a few ideas:


- Find out more about Baptism. What happens? Why is it important to Christians?

- Look at the map of the World. Try to identify the continents of Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, Antarctica, North and South America. Can you make an A-Z of countries, with a different country for each letter of the alphabet?

- Find the Sea of Galilee on a map of the World or of Israel. Several of Jesus’ stories and miracles took place on and around the Sea of Galilee and in the surrounding countryside.