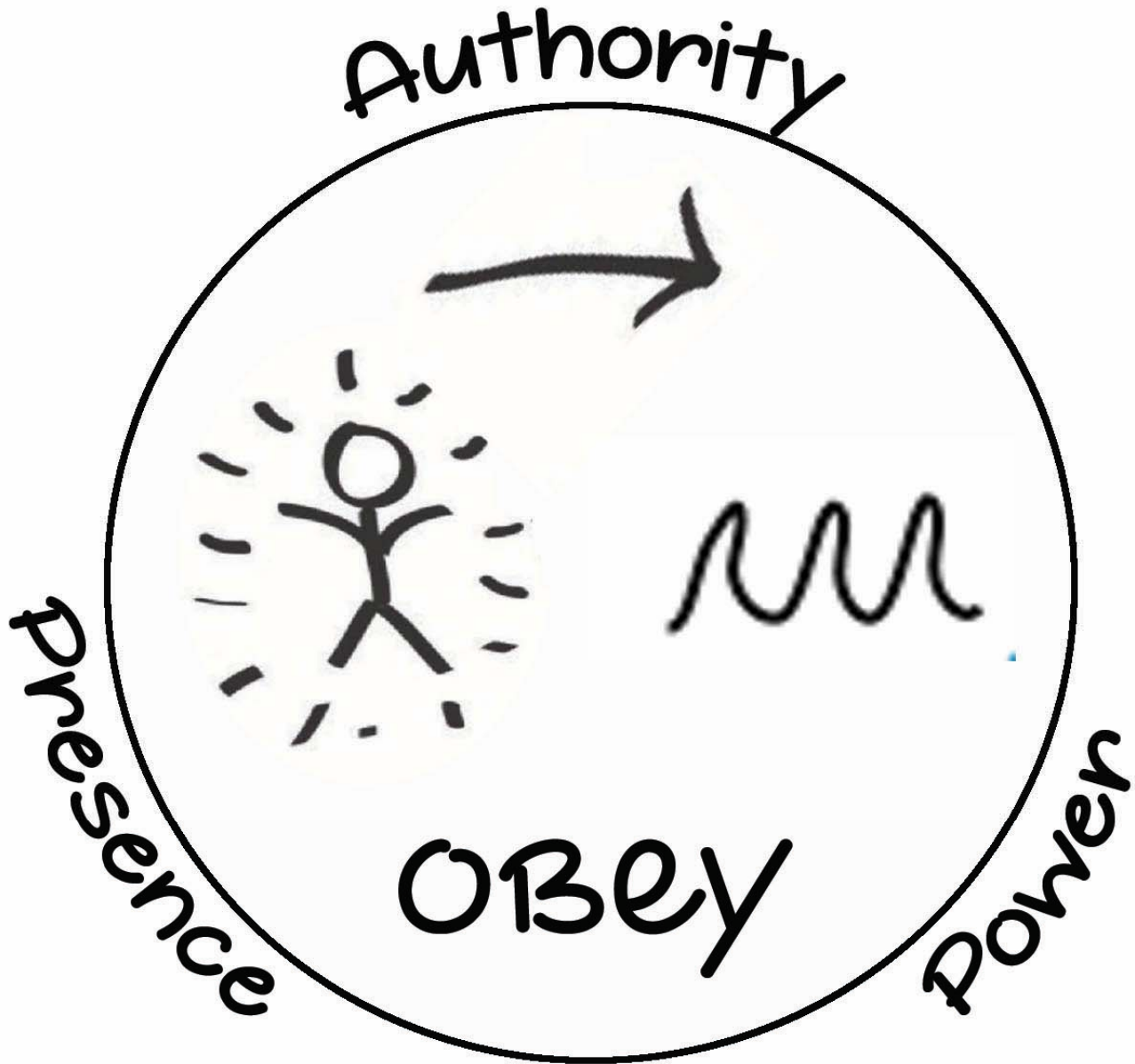


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Matthew 28: 18-20 Acts 1:8



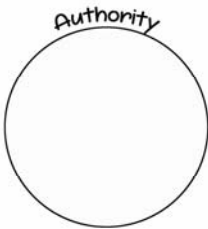
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This is a simple illustration to commission believers into immediate obedience.

This illustration uses two scriptures Matthew 28:18-20 & Acts 1:8

Read Matthew 28:18-20: *And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."* (ESV)

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Draw a Circle

Say: Right before Jesus went back to heaven after he was crucified. He gathered his disciples and said that He has all authority in Heaven and on earth. This circle represents everything in the universe.

Write above the circle: "Authority"

Say: This shows that Jesus has Authority over everything. Since he has this authority we need to pay attention and obey what he has for us to do.

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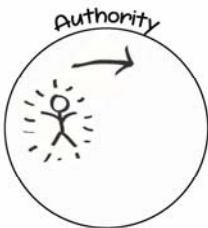


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Draw an Arrow inside in the circle at the top pointing Right

Say: Jesus said "GO"

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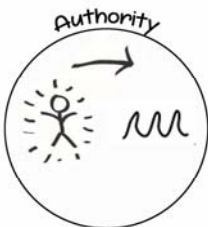


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Draw a Stick Figure with "rays" around him to indicate a shiny new person

Say: "Make disciples of all nations"

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Draw waves of water

Say: "baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

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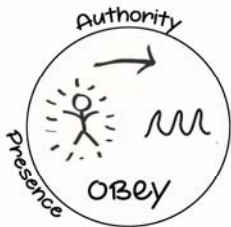


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Write the word OBEY

Say: "teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you"

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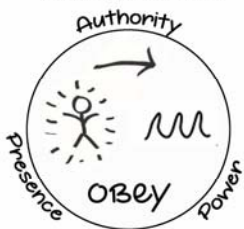
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Write the word: "Presence"

Say: That's a big and very important job, but Jesus didn't leave us alone and without the tools to do what he has for us to do. He said "I am with you always, to the end of the age". That's very comforting and amazing to know that He will be with us and help us every day.

Say: Then in Acts 1:8 the Bible picks up and continues the same scene right before Jesus went back to heaven. It says "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (ESV)

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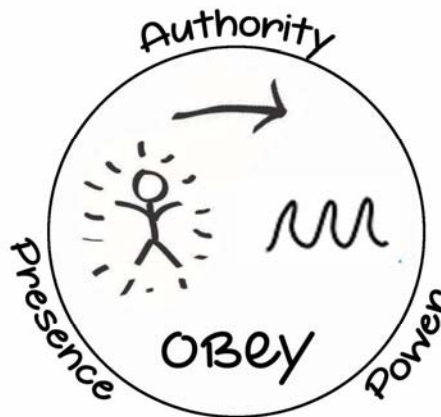
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Write the word: "Power"

Say: Not only is he with us, he also gives us his POWER to finish the task.

Say: So this pictures shows us that in Jesus' Authority, Presence and Power, we are to GO everywhere, make disciples, baptize them and teach them to obey his commands" Let's make a list of people you know that you can go and share the good news with this week.

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