



## Supplies

- paper towel tubes (1 per child)
- road maps (real maps or printed from websites)
- scissors
- duct tape
- stickers
- permanent markers

## Easy Prep

- Make a sample craft to show kids.



## Make a Relay Baton

Give kids each a paper towel tube, a map, and a pair of scissors. Set out the other supplies to share, and have kids follow these instructions to make relay batons.

- Decorate the paper towel tube with duct tape, leaving the ends open. (Younger kids will need help tearing the duct tape.)
- Add stickers.

## Fill the Baton

Say: **Jesus trusts us to do what he can do. He told the disciples exactly where to go to spread his love. Each of you has a special place Jesus has put you to spread his love, too.** Have kids complete the following steps.

- Cut a map into a shape that represents something you do that connects you to other people. It could be a guitar, a ball used in team sports, or something else. (Younger kids can draw a picture on the map instead of cutting it out. It's okay if it's not identifiable to anyone else.)
- Roll up the map shape, and put it in the baton.

## Run Relays

Say: **Maybe you've run a relay with a baton. That's where a team of four people works together to run laps. Each person runs one lap and then passes the baton to the next person. You can run only when you have the baton, so it's important to pass the baton off so the next person can run like you ran.**

**The disciples were just ordinary people, but Jesus passed his baton to them and gave them power to do amazing things! And Jesus has passed his baton to us to live and love like he did. Jesus trusts us to do what he can do.**

**Let's run a baton relay now!**

Have kids form mixed-age teams of four and choose one person's baton to use. Then have them run laps around the room, passing the baton until everyone has run.

### Talk About It

Ask: • **What's something you've learned how to do by someone else teaching you?** Share your own example first.

• **What can you learn about how to live and love by seeing how Jesus did things?**

Say: **When people teach us new skills, that's kind of like them passing the baton. We're able to do things we couldn't do before. Jesus passed the baton to his disciples, enabling them to do amazing things like healing the sick and raising the dead...but also more typical things like giving generously, announcing his message, helping people, and loving others well. We can do those things, too! Jesus trusts us to do what he can do. He's passed his baton to us!**

Have kids take their relay batons home and run laps with their friends and family. They can tell their friends and family about how Jesus trusts us to do what he can do and has passed his baton to us. Also encourage kids to pass on Jesus' love in the activities represented by their map cut-outs.