

KIDS CHURCH

WEEK
2

ALL
AGES

BIBLE STORY

We're Going to Be Friends

David and Jonathan
1 Samuel 20

MEMORY VERSE

A friend loves at all times.
They are there to help when
trouble comes.
Proverbs 17:17

LIFE APP

**Friendship—Using your
words and actions to show
others you care**

BOTTOM LINE

Friends love one another.

BASIC TRUTH

**I should treat others the
way I want to be treated.**

WELCOME

What You Need For Today:

- beach ball or ball to pass around
- "David and Jonathon" Activity Page
- Paper
- Colouring markers/pencils
- Bibles

What You Do:

- Watch the Video provided and follow the video guidelines.

What You Say:

- Let's watch today's video and see what we are going to learn in Sunday school today!

ACTIVITY #1

• What You Need:

- NONE

• What You Do:

- Select one kid to be the "finder" and have them step out of the room, if possible.
- Have the other kids or yourself pick an object (i.e., a book on a shelf) in the environment for the finder to find.
- Ask the finder to come back and walk around the environment in search of the object. Tell the kids they cannot say anything, but they can give hints by using applause to lead the finder in the right direction.
- If the finder is far away from the object, the kids should clap slowly and softly. When the finder gets closer and closer, the kids should applaud faster and louder until the finder picks the correct object.
- Assign a new finder with each new round.

What You Say:

- Press play on the video to see what Sammy J has to say!

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ACTIVITY #2

What You Need:

- None

What You Do:

- Ask your kids the following questions and spend time discussing and chatting about the following:
 - Share about a time when someone showed you that you were important to them. How did it make you feel?
 - Can you think of a time you showed a friend they were important to you? What did you do to show them?
 - How do you show your close friends that you love them?
 - How is that different from showing love to friends who are good friends but not your best friends?
- **Simplify questions for younger children.**

ACTIVITY #3

What You Need:

- "David and Jonathon" Activity Page

• What You Do:

- Have kids close their eyes while you hide the David and Jonathon cards throughout the room
- Once they are hidden have kids search for the cards and then work together to put them in order!
- This is the correct order:
 - Picture #1: King Saul was in charge, and his son's name was Jonathan.
 - Picture #2: God chose David as the next king. Picture
 - #3: Though David was chosen as king instead of Jonathan, the boys were still best friends.
 - Picture #4: Jonathan gave David his best things—his robe, belt, sword, and bow. Picture #5: King Saul became so jealous that he tried to kill David.
 - Picture #6: Jonathan was worried for his friend. He had a secret plan to warn David.
 - Picture #7: When they realized David was in trouble, the two friends had to say goodbye.
 - Picture #8: Open your Bible to 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a and read it aloud.

What You Ask

- What do you admire about David and Jonathan's friendship?
- What makes them such a good example of great friends?
- Has anyone ever had a friend like Jonathan, someone who put your needs before his or her own?

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ACTIVITY #4

- **What You Need:**
 - Bible, paper, and colouring pencils/markers
- **What You Do:**
 - Write the words of the verse on the pieces of paper, broken down as follows for
 - NirV:A friend/ loves/ at all/ times./ They/ are/ there/ to help/ when/ trouble/ comes./ Proverbs 17:17
 - Lay the pages on the floor of in the area like the numbers of a clock, starting with the first page as one o'clock.
 - Select one kid to stand in the center of the pages and hold out his arm like one arm of the clock.
 - Encourage the kid in the center to start with one o'clock (A) and point to each word of the verse as they "click" around the clock face.
 - Repeat with each kid in the center.
- **What To Say:**
 - "These pages sort of look like a clock face! Why? Because a friend loves at ALL times. Does a friend love at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday when they just woke up? Does a friend love at 1:00 p.m. when they don't get their way? Yes! Because friends love one another at all times! I'm so thankful for examples of good friends like David and Jonathan. And of course, the best friend of all is JESUS! He loves us when we mess up, when we're happy, when we're frustrated, and even when we say something unkind. Because Jesus loves us at all times, we can love others, too!"

PRAYER

What You Need:

- None

What You Do:

- Take time and ask your kids how they can be a good friend.
- Challenge them to be that friend at school this week or with their siblings.
- Pray with your kids.

What You Say:

- Let's press play to see what Sammy J has to say.