

Jesus Is My Friend

Lesson 5 — Jesus is My Friend!

THE BASICS

- 1. BIBLE VERSE:** John 15:14, "You are My friends!"
- 2. BOTTOM LINE:** Jesus is our best Friend!
- 3. BIBLE STORY: David's Best Friend** (1 Samuel 18:1-4, 19:1-7, 20:1-42, 23:16-18, 2 Samuel 9:1-7, John 15:9-17)

King Saul became very angry at young David because God had picked David to be the next king of Israel. Normally, King Saul's son, Jonathan, would have been next in line to be king. But, Jonathan knew God wanted David to be king. Jonathan and David were friends and spent a lot of time together. As Saul grew more angry with David, Jonathan would tell David so David would be safe. They promised each other that they would always be friends and help each other. One day, when Saul came up with a plan to kill David, Jonathan came up with a plan to save David's life. They hugged each other and cried, realizing that they may never see each other again. Later, after David had become king, he found Jonathan's son and brought him into the palace to live with him.

Point To Make: David and Jonathan grew close to one another, watched out for each other, and became best friends. Jesus wants to spend time with us so He will become *our* best friend!

MAKE IT REAL

Picture: (*Child sitting alone; friends playing together; Jesus and disciples; Bible; praying hands; child worshipping*)

- Nobody likes to be alone all the time. We all want friends to play with.
- Even God wants friends, and sent Jesus to tell us about Him so we would *want* to be His friend.
- Jesus told His disciples that they were no longer servants of God, but rather His friends!
- Jesus wants to spend time with us through His Word, prayer, and worship so we will know Him more and can become *best friends!*

QUESTIONS TO ASK

1. Does anyone have a "best friend?" (*Allow for response*)
2. What makes that person your best friend? (*Allow for response*)
3. How does Jesus become our friend? (*By asking Him into our hearts*)
4. How can we spend time with Jesus? (*His Word, prayer, & worship*)

Spiritual Exercise: "He's God and He's my Friend. He's never too busy for me to play with Him! We walk and talk together, we laugh and sing a song. He's even there to comfort me when sometimes things go wrong."

SCHEDULE

- 1. Pre-Service**
 - Group playtime
- 2. Warm Up**
 - Color page
- 3. Pre-Large Group**
 - President
 - Pastor Mac & Lynne
 - Offering
 - LG Rules
- 4. Large Group**
- 5. Small Group**
 - Small Group Notes
 - Prayer
- 6. Wrap Up**
 - Snack
- 7. End of Service**
 - Parent pick up
 - Put on video-if needed

HERE IS WHAT I SAY!

Father God,
You sent Jesus
so I could know
you more and
more. Thank you
for wanting to be
my friend. In
Jesus' Name,
Amen.



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