

Unit 11 at a Glance

Friendship

Unit Overview

In this unit, the children will learn about friendship. The importance of friendship with God and others is emphasized as the children hear of Jesus' many relationships. From the fantastic fish breakfast to the meal at the home of Martha and Mary, these lessons paint a portrait of Jesus as a special friend. The children will learn how Jesus desires to be a friend to everyone.

Unit Goals

- The children will identify that Jesus has many friends including Lazarus, Mary, Martha, Peter, James and John.
- The children will distinguish between friendly and unfriendly behavior.
- The children will thank God for friendship.

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Bible Truth

A friend always loves.
(Proverbs 17:17)

Lesson 1 Breakfast with Friends

In this lesson, the children will hear the account of Jesus providing and cooking breakfast for his friends. The children will sing songs that help them remember Peter, James, and John and the events surrounding the breakfast. The children will also learn that friends work "together" as they engage in activities that require them to work cooperatively.

Lesson 2 Jesus Shares

The account of Jesus providing and cooking breakfast for his friends is reviewed in this lesson. Additionally, the concept of working together is reinforced through games and other activities.

Lesson 3 Jesus Visits Friends

In this lesson, the children will learn about the special dinner Jesus had with Lazarus, Mary and Martha. The different ways in which each of them showed Jesus their love is identified and discussed. This lesson also uses realistic examples to point out the differences between friendly and unfriendly behavior.

Lesson 4 Jesus' Friends

Jesus' time with Mary, Martha and Lazarus is reviewed in this lesson. The children will also be reminded of how special their friends are to them and that time with a friend is like a party, it's fun.

Lesson 5 Review

In this lesson, the children will review many of the ideas on friendship presented in this unit.



Dear Parent,

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On the reverse side of this page, you will find an outline and description of the lessons which comprise this unit. Included is a Bible Truth for you to review with your child at home. Please note that this is simply a biblical concept and not an actual verse.

Your active involvement outside the classroom is essential and will truly make the Kingdom Kids Curriculum a great success for your child. Here are some suggested ways you can reinforce these lessons at home:

- Go out with your child and make some new friends. Visit a park or a toy store or someplace where there are families.
- Write a letter to a friend that lives far away. Perhaps send a letter to someone on a mission team or a relative that you don't see very often. Looking through old photos with your child may give you ideas of whom to send a letter.
- Have a breakfast family devotional on John 21:1-12. Make fish-shaped pancakes together and discuss how Jesus was a great friend to others.

We look forward to being partners with you as together we help plant Seeds of Faith in the heart and mind of your child.

Thank you,

Your child's teachers



Unit 11 Song Sheet



Peter, James and John in a Sailboat (Tune: Ten Little Indians)

Peter, James and John in a sailboat,
Peter, James and John in a sailboat,
Peter, James and John in a sailboat,
Out on the rolling sea.

Fished all night, but they caught no fishes,
Fished all night, but they caught no fishes,
Fished all night, but they caught no fishes,
Out on the rolling sea.

Threw their nets on the other side,
Threw their nets on the other side,
Threw their nets on the other side,
Out on the rolling sea.

Jesus filled their nets with fishes,
Jesus filled their nets with fishes,
Jesus filled their nets with fishes,
Out on the rolling sea.

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong,
They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me,
The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me when I'm good,
When I do the things I should.
Jesus loves me when I'm bad,
Though it makes him very sad.
Yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me,
The Bible tells me so.

Ring Around the Rosie

Ring around the rosie.
A pocket full of posies.
Ashes, ashes,
We all fall down!
(Everyone sits on the floor on the word "down.")

My Own Loving Family (Tune: "I'm a Little Teapot")

God made Daddy.
God made Mother.
God made Sister.
God made Brother.
Thank you, God, for giving me
My own loving family!

We love Daddy.
We love Mother.
We love Sister.
We love Brother.
Thank you, God, for giving me
My own loving family!