

# JONATHAN HELPED DAVID



### **BIBLE STORY**

### **SNACK**

Place snack on the tables.

Pray before eating.

Talk about the Bible story as the children snack.

Lead the children to clean their places and throw away the trash.

### **TALK ABOUT THE STORY**

-Based on 1 Samuel 14:49; 18:1-4; 20

### **BIBLE STORY FOR 1s**

- David went to live at King Saul's palace. At the palace he met Jonathan, King Saul's son.
- » Jonathan and David became friends.
- » Jonathan gave David gifts, including his robe, belt, sword, and bow. David and Jonathan promised to always be friends.
- » King Saul became angry with David. Jonathan told David to leave so he would be safe.

### **BIBLE STORY FOR 2s**

- David came to live in King Saul's palace. David met Jonathan, King Saul's son, and they became friends.
- » Jonathan gave David gifts, including his robe, belt, sword, and bow. David and Jonathan promised to always be friends. "I will always be your friend and help you," Jonathan told David.
- » King Saul became angry with David. Jonathan shot arrows in the field to let David know what to do. Jonathan told David to leave so he would be safe from King Saul.

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YOUR TEACHING PARTNER(S)	_
DATE OF USE	

## LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God helps people.

### **LIFE POINT**

People can love their friends.

### **UNIT VERSE**

Love your neighbors. Leviticus 19:18

### **WEEKLY VERSE**

A friend loves at all times. Proverbs 17:17



## **BIBLE-LEARNING ACTIVITIES**

### SONG

Sing to the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb":

Love each other like I love you.

I love you. I love you.

Love each other like I love you.

Yes, that's what Je-sus said.

### MAKE PAPER PLATE CROWNS

**Gather:** Paper plates, crayons, stickers, scissors **Do:** Make a crown for each child: Fold each plate in half. Cut three slits from the center of the fold to the inner edge of each plate. Unfold and cut apart the folded edge to make the points. Write the Weekly Verse around the rim of each plate:

A friend loves at all times. Proverbs 17:17.

- » Offer a paper plate to an interested child.
- » Read aloud the verse as the child decorates the paper plate.
- » Comment that King Saul became angry at David but Jonathan helped him stay safe.
- » Help the child fold up the points.

### **HELP PEOPLE FIGURES ESCAPE**

**Gather:** Baking sheet, painter's tape, people figures

Do: Tape the people figures to the baking sheet.

- Invite a couple of toddlers to help you remove the tape from the people figures.
- » Suggest they pretend to be helping friends.
- Talk about the Bible story as they work.
- » Say: "People can love their friends."
- Let the children tape the figures to the sheet for others to play or for them to play again.

### **SWEEP PAPER BALLS**

**Gather:** Toy broom, painter's tape, paper, ruler **Do:** Crumble several sheets of paper into balls. Tape a 2-foot square on the floor.

- » Scatter the paper balls near the square.
- » Invite a child to sweep all the balls into the square. Give him the broom.
- Thank the child for helping. Say that helping is a way we can show love to family and friends.
- » Mention that Jonathan helped David stay safe.

### MOVE OVER TUBES

**Gather:** 3 cardboard tubes, painter's tape, ruler **Do:** Tape 3 cardboard tubes to the floor about 18 inches apart.

- Invite two toddlers to play.
- » Suggest the toddlers step over the tubes.
- » Lead the toddlers to zigzag around the tubes.
- » Challenge the toddlers to crawl between the tubes.
- » Offer to hold the toddlers' hands as they try to hop over the tubes.
- » Praise the children for being kind to one another as they play.
- » Tell that God wants us to be kind to our friends.

### **WORK TOGETHER**

Gather: Puzzles, shape sorters; stacking cups

- Invite the children to work in pairs putting together puzzles, putting in the shapes, or stacking cups.
- Thank the children for helping each other.
- » Review the Bible story as the children work.
- » Comment that God helps people.
- Let the children switch activities and work together again.

### **CLEAN UP**

Lead the children to put toys in the correct places.

### **DISMISS**

Place each child's personal items inside his diaper bag. Remind parents to do the activities and review the Bible story this week on the Kids Activity Page.

