

MAIN POINT:

A Real BFF—Best Friends Forever

Our friendships help us when we are going through difficult times, so we need to choose friends wisely. The friendship between David and Jonathan in the Bible is a great example of two people dedicated to each other through all things.

FAMILY DISCUSSION:

1. **Today we learned that God wants us to choose our friends wisely. Our friendships help us when we go through hard times.**

Have you ever had someone help or encourage you during a hard time? What did they do that helped or encouraged you? *(Listen and contribute.)*

2. **What are some ways you have practically helped someone get through a hard time? How did you see that help them?** *(Listen and contribute.)*

3. **Let's read Proverbs 10:21 together. Open your Bible if you have it. I will read it out loud. As I read, think about the words that stand out to you after I'm done reading.**

"The words of the Godly encourage many."

How do your words impact others and your friends? Would you say that your words encourage or put down others? *(Listen and contribute.)*

Share a time when someone used their words to encourage you. How did it make you feel? *(Listen and contribute.)*

4. **Is there anything difficult that you are going through right now that we can pray for you this week?** *(Listen and contribute.)*

FAMILY PRAYER:

SAY: I am going to read 1 Peter 4:8, 10 over you today and then bless you.

"Most of all, love one another deeply. Love erases many sins by forgiving them...God's gifts of grace come in many forms. Each of you has received a gift in order to serve others. You should use it faithfully."

(Students names), God made you to be in a relationship with others and Him. God knows what you are going through. May you experience His peace in your life this week. May you be a friend who is a blessing to others around you, a friend who is loyal, and points them to Jesus. May your life and friendships bring glory to God.

How can I pray for you this week around your friendships?