

## LOOK at Pictures of Friends

Talk about the Bible story (reverse side). Mention that Jonathan and David promised to be friends. Show your child photos of her friends. Ask her to name each friend. Then lead her to pray for each one: "Thank You, God, for my friend (child's name)."

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## BABIES

## PRAY with Friends

Invite a friend over for a play date or take your baby to the park or library where other babies and families will be. Encourage your baby to look at and interact with other babies. Tell your baby that Jonathan and David were friends (see reverse side). Mention that we can choose to love and become friends. Thank God for the friends in your life and in your baby's life.



## VERSE

Do all things in love.  
(1 Corinthians 16:14)

## MAKE a Belt

Cut strips of paper and make a short paper chain connecting the strips to each other with tape. Use the chain to make a "belt" by wrapping it around your child's waist and securing with a small binder clip.

Remind your child that in the Bible story, Jonathan and David were friends (reverse side). State that Jonathan gave

David a coat and belt as gifts. Say the Weekly Verse: "God loves us, so we should love others. 1 John 4:11."

# BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®



## THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story taught that people can choose to love and become friends. David met Jonathan at King Saul's house. They promised to always be good friends and help one another.



## LIVE IT OUT

Help your child to foster friendships with other children. Invite a few children to your home for a play date. Thank the children for playing together kindly and showing God's love to each other.



## LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God made me.



## DAILY BIBLE READING

- Sunday:** 1 John 4:11
- Monday:** Psalm 119:63
- Tuesday:** 1 John 4:7
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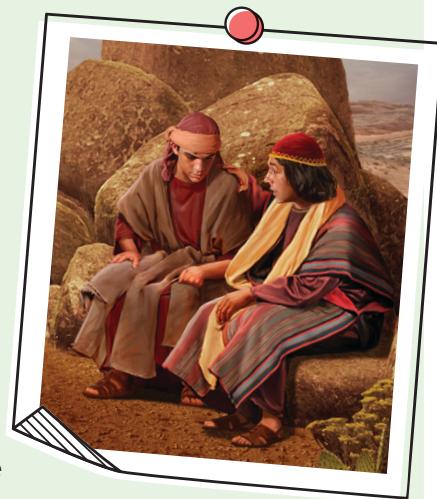
# CONVERSATION

## Jonathan and David Promised to Be Friends

BASED ON 1 SAMUEL 14:49;  
18:1-4; 20

**WEEKLY VERSE:** God loves us, so we should love others. *1 John 4:11*

**LIFE POINT:** People can choose to love and become friends.



### BABIES

David met King Saul's son, Jonathan. Jonathan and David became friends. Jonathan gave David gifts including his belt and coat. David promised to always be kind to Jonathan's family.

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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 a coat and a belt. David and Jonathan promised to always be friends.

2s

David came to live in King Saul's palace. David met Jonathan, King Saul's son, and they became friends. To show that he was David's friend, Jonathan gave David several gifts. Two of the gifts that Jonathan gave David were a coat and a belt. David and Jonathan promised to always be friends. "I will always be your friend and help you," Jonathan told David.



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**VERSE**

God loves us, so we should love others.

—1 JOHN 4:11

## MATCH COLORS

Jonathan and David chose to love and be friends. Jonathan gave gifts to David. He gave him his robe, belt, sword, and bow for shooting arrows.

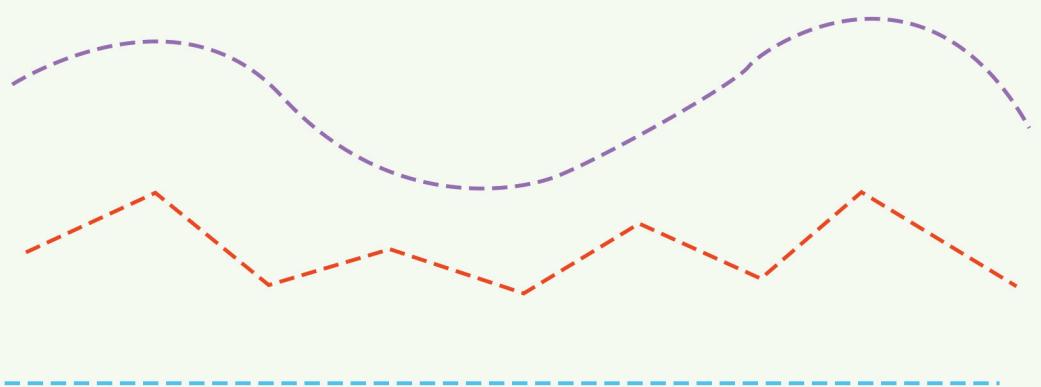
**LOOK** at the gifts.

**DRAW A LINE** from the gifts to the bows with the matching colors.



## TRACE LINES

Jonathan and David promised to always be friends and help one another. People can choose to love and become friends.



**TRACE the LINES**  
between Jonathan and David below.

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God helps me be kind to my friends.



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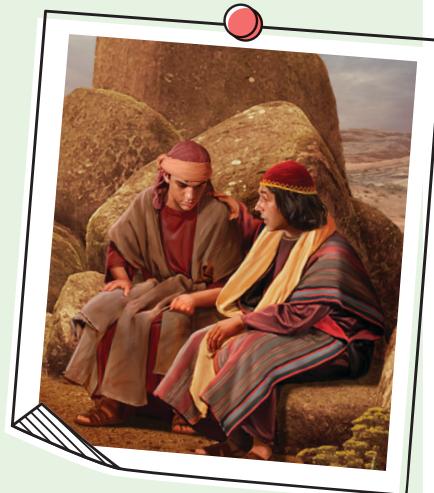
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King Saul had a son named Jonathan who lived in the palace. Jonathan was happy that David had come to live in the palace. David and Jonathan became best friends. David and Jonathan promised that they would always be friends.

Jonathan wanted to give something to David to show him how much he loved him as his friend. Jonathan gave David the robe he was wearing. Jonathan gave David other presents—his belt, sword, and bow for shooting arrows.

Jonathan loved David very much. Jonathan said, “Whatever you want me to do for you, I will do it.” Jonathan promised David again that they would always be friends. Jonathan loved David as much as he loved himself.

David loved Jonathan, too. He was glad to have a friend like Jonathan. He promised to always be a friend to Jonathan and his family.



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A gentle answer  
deflects anger, but  
harsh words make  
tempers flare.  
-Proverbs 15:1

## How Are You Going to Act?

Fill in the blanks with a word that tells how you should act toward others.



If you want people to say you are **kind**, be



If you want people to say you are **patient**, be



If you want people to say you are **trustworthy**, tell the .

If you want people to give you **respect**,  others.

If you want people to call you a **friend**, be a .

## Bible Story MATCH

Match the first statement  
with the second part that  
completes the sentence.

Use 1 Samuel 25 to help you.

The man's name was Nabal,

Say, "Peace to you.

"Please give whatever you can

"Who is David?

David said to his men,

Abigail hurried with much food and

David said to Abigail,

"Put on your swords!"

loaded them on donkeys to take to David.

"Praise the Lord, who sent you to meet me."

to us and to David."

I hear you are shearing your sheep."

and his wife's name was Abigail.

Am I supposed to give my bread,  
water and meat to these men?"

# BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

## LIFE POINT

People face consequences for the ways they treat others.



## THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story taught your child that people face consequences for the ways they treat others. David was good to Nabal's men, but Nabal did not return the kindness. Although David was angry, Abigail helped David make a better choice and not a harmful one.



## LIVE IT OUT

Ask your child if she ever had to face consequences for treating someone badly. Help your child memorize Proverbs 15:1 as an aid to deal with others. Every day talk about how each family member used Proverbs 15:1 when problems arose.



## LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

People can learn to love others as God loves them.



## DAILY BIBLE READING

**Sunday:** Proverbs 15:1  
**Monday:** Proverbs 12:25  
**Tuesday:** Romans 12:17  
**Wednesday:** Proverbs 16:24  
**Thursday:** Proverbs 21:12  
**Friday:** Proverbs 11:17  
**Saturday:** Proverbs 16:28



# CONVERSATION

## David, Nabal, and Abigail

### 1 SAMUEL 25:1-35

A rich but evil man named Nabal was married to a wise and beautiful woman named Abigail. Nabal was overseeing the shearing of his sheep in Carmel, not far from David and the men who were with him.



David instructed his men to find Nabal and remind him of the kindness David and his men showed. David also told his men to ask Nabal to give whatever he could to help them.

David's men greeted Nabal, but he was unkind. He said he did not know David and asked why he should give to a man he did not know.

When David's men returned and reported what Nabal said, David ordered them to put on their swords. About 400 men went with him, ready to attack Nabal and his men.

One of Nabal's workers warned Abigail about her husband's actions. "David sent messengers to our master, but he was rude to them," he said. "David's men never did us harm while we were in the field. Please think about what to do. There will be trouble because our master will not listen to anyone!"

Abigail acted quickly. She gathered bread, grain, and fruit and loaded them on donkeys. Without talking to Nabal, she and her servants left to meet David.

Meanwhile, David's anger grew, and he told his men, "I guarded what belonged to Nabal for nothing. He paid me back with evil."

Abigail jumped off her donkey and fell facedown in front of David. She begged David to listen to her. She told David how foolish her husband had been, but she had brought many gifts for David and his men. She said, "God has kept you from seeking revenge and shedding blood. Please take the gifts I have brought. Share with your men. When you become king, you will have no regrets or guilt of revenge."

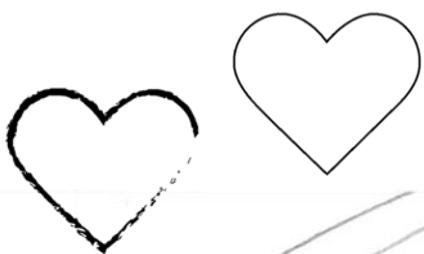
David praised God for sending Abigail, who kept him from harming Nabal and his men. He accepted Abigail's gifts and sent her home in peace.

**WEEKLY VERSE** Proverbs 15:1



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# February



SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
<b>1</b> Matthew 7:12	<b>2</b> Galatians 6:9	<b>3</b> Proverbs 14:21	<b>4</b> Ephesians 4:32	<b>5</b> James 1:19	<b>6</b> John 15:12	<b>7</b> Matthew 7:1
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<b>15</b> 1 Thessalonians 5:15	<b>16</b> Jeremiah 9:24	<b>17</b> Matthew 5:7	<b>18</b> Hebrews 13:2	<b>19</b> Proverbs 19:17	<b>20</b> Matthew 6:14	<b>21</b> Ephesians 4:29
<b>22</b> Romans 12:14	<b>23</b> Colossians 3:14	<b>24</b> 1 Corinthians 13:4	<b>25</b> Ephesians 4:32	<b>26</b> Luke 6:35	<b>27</b> 1 Peter 3:8	<b>28</b> Matthew 5:44

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