



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

Jonathan and David's Friendship

Take Home Point:

Friendship is loving others as you love yourself.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: What kind of marks did your shepherd draw on the outline of the friend to show how much Jesus did for us as a friend? *(She added red dots to the hands and feet of the drawing to symbolize Jesus nailed to the cross.)*

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Have each person describe a best friend, choosing from someone outside the family. Let other family members guess whom they are describing. Then tell who it is and what about this person makes them a good friend.

READ THE BIBLE: Read about David and Jonathan's friendship as found in 1 Samuel 20.

KEY VERSE: Mark 12:31, *"The second most important commandment is this: 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself.'"*

TALK ABOUT IT: Did Jonathan know his father, Saul, wanted to kill David? *(1 Samuel 20:1-2, 9. No. He thought it was unthinkable.)* What plan did Jonathan and David make to let David know if Saul was angry and was trying to kill him? *(1 Samuel 20:17-23.)* At the festival, what did Saul do to show Jonathan he wanted David dead? *(1 Samuel 20:30-33. He got so angry that Jonathan would not tell him where David was that he threatened him with his spear.)* How did David and Jonathan show their love for each other before David ran away? *(1 Samuel 20:41-42. They showed strong emotion. They promised they would protect each other's families.)*

Jonathan risked dying when Saul threatened to kill him for not revealing where David was hiding. How would you feel if you were Jonathan? Would you risk your life for your friend? How does God show he wants to truly be our friend? *(God loves us so much that he died for us. Jesus died on the cross for our sin, and he is alive to be our friend right now.)*

PRAYER POWER: Give thanks to God for his friendship and that he gave his life for us. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you how to be a better friend and to lead you to others that need friendship.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Think of a person in need of a friend. Perhaps they need some special favors, some attention, or someone who is concerned about them. Let your family select one such person and adopt them as a special friend for a week. Think of special ways to be a friend with this person and share the love of Jesus.