

3 Year Old Rainbow

June 10, 2019



Bible Story: The Good Samaritan

Luke 10:25-37

Main Point: A friend looks for ways to help

Faith Word: Friend

Bible Words: "A friend loves at all time"
Proverbs 17:17 NIV

**Be On the Lookout for Someone
Who Needs a Friend**

Welcome...the children and invite them to the tables to do the welcome activity.

When they are done they can go to the exploration centers located throughout the room. (See "Exploration Ideas" in your resource packet)

***This would be a great time to take an individual picture of each child. You can use their photos on the door as a part of your door decoration.*

Friendship Circle

12:55—1:10

Put out the carpet circles and have the children join you on the floor for friendship circle.

SAY Hello friends, my name is _____, and I am so excited to spend the week together at Vacation Bible Camp learning about being a good friend. Let's start by getting to know our VBC friends. We are going to sing a song and when I call your name I want you to stand up.

(To the Tune of Ten Little Indians)

**"I know a girl/boy whose name is _____
Stand up _____, Sit down _____
Because Jesus loves you!"**

SAY We are going to have so much fun this week getting to know our friends. Each day we are going to spend time together in this room, and we will also have a chance to travel to different places to hear the Bible story, play on the playground and to praise and worship God.

Talk About...What will a typical day in VBC will look like?

What are your classroom expectations?

Talk about the different jobs for the kids. *(line leader, snack person, prayer leader...)*

IDEA...*Have a responsibility card with each child's name on it. Announce the jobs one at a time and let the children know what their job will be today. This is something you could do every day.*

SAY This week we are on a special mission to be good friends just like Jesus was. We are friends when we use our words and actions to show others we care. If you think you can do this wave your hands in the air. *(wave hands).*

End in Prayer Ask if any of the children would like to say a prayer, if not lead them in this prayer and have them repeat after you.

Show me Jesus, how to spend this day

Sharing your love, in every way

Help me be kind, to everyone

To play and laugh, and have lots of fun! Amen

IF TIME...Play a friendship game. Resources and ideas are included in your packet.

Bible Story Exploration

Gather the children around the tables. and one leader should put on the lab coat and turn into Professor Frenda.

Supplies — Bible with secret message inside, secret message paper, dot art markers

SAY Hello boys and girls, my name is Professor Frenda and I am here this week to teach you a very important lesson that Jesus taught us in the Bible. Let's take a look at our special message today. *(Pull paper that looks blank out of the Bible and hold up)* Wait, there isn't anything on this paper. Hum. *(act confused and then like you remembered something)*. Ok, I remember now. It is a secret message that we have to discover. Can you help me?

DO Give each child a piece of paper. And let each child pick out a dot art marker. Have them rub the dot art marker all over the paper until the message appears.

SAY Wow, that is amazing! Now let me read what it says. "A friend loves at all times". That's our Bible Words this week. Jesus taught us to be a good friend to everyone we meet. When we are a good friend we use our words and actions to show others we care. Raise your hand if you have a friend? *(raise hand)* How can you be a good friend? *(Discuss)* those are all great ways to be a good friend! Today we are going to learn about a man who was a good friend to a total stranger. Alright, who is ready to join the friendship train? When I tap your shoulder come and join our friendship train.

DO Sing the following song as you tap children on the shoulder and have them join your friendship train. Have them follow you around the room and end up in a circle where there is some space.

(sing to the tune of Mary Had a Little Lamb)

*Will you be a friend of mine, friend of mine, friend of mine
Will you be a friend of mine, then come and join our train.*

SAY Who is ready to be good friends this week? *(me)* Great, I am going to teach you our Friendship Cheer. Repeat after me:

DO Say the following friendship cheer and have the children repeat each line.

Friends care	<i>(cross hands over heart)</i>
Friends share	<i>(reach hands out with palms facing up)</i>
We need friends	<i>(put hands down to sides)</i>
Everywhere!	<i>(jump up in air with arms raised)</i>

DO Line up at the door and move to Bible story time located in the hallway between B131 and B132. A leader will be there to greet you and will tell the children the Bible Story.

Praise & Worship Time

Small Group Exploration

Creation Center—Friendship Finder

Supplies — paper plate with hole cut out, labels, stickers, crayons

SAY *The Samaritan found a man along side the rode and knew he needed a friend. Jesus wants us to be on the look out for people who might need a friend too.*

DO *Give each child a plate and set the crayons and stickers out on the tables. Decorate the plates with stickers and by coloring it. Finish by putting a friend label on their plate. Be sure that their name is on their friendship finder.*

TALK ABOUT...*Who are some of your friends? Where can we be on the lookout for friends?*

Game Center — Be on the Lookout

Supplies — checklist on clipboards, bag, friendship finder they just made, Potato friends, white eye pieces and google eyes hidden throughout room

SAY *Jesus wants us to be on the lookout for new friends. Let's work together to be on the lookout see if we can find the things on our list.*

DO *Divide the kids up with one adult working with a group of kids. Use the friendship finder to help them find the missing items. When they find an item on the list put it in their bag and check it off the list. Continue until you have found everything on the list.*

SAY *Great job friends; way to be on the lookout. This week we are going to make our very own potato friend that we will be able to take home at the end of the week. Today we are going to put on the eyes to remind us to be on the lookout for someone who needs a friend.*

DO *Sit at the tables and give each child a potato friend, white eye background and 2 google eyes. Write the name of the child on the ribbon. Have them place the white eye piece on the Potato friend and then the goggle eyes. At some point have one of the teachers stick the pieces on their Potato Friend.*

IDEA...*Let them play a game with their friend. Blow some bubbles and have them help their Potato Friend pop them.*

Bible Story Exploration

Secret Letters Activity

Supplies:

Bible
White paper with message
Dot markers



This is a crayon resist activity, meaning you paint ON TOP of the crayon. The message has already been written on each paper so you will want to make sure as you hand the paper to each child the message side is up.

ASK *What do you see on your paper?*

Talk about how you have a secret message for each of them today that you learned in this special book.

ASK *Does anyone know what this book is called? (Bible.) And do you know who gave us this book? (God)*

Let them pick out a dot marker to use and have them rub it all over the paper. As they do this the secret message will slowly appear.

ASK *What does your message say? (Jesus loves me and wants to be my friend forever!)*