

Friendship means using your words and actions to show others you care.



Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

DAY
1

Build Up

Ask an adult to help you look up 1 Thessalonians 5:11 and for six plastic cups you can write on. Think of some encouraging words that you could say to a friend that would build them up. Ask an adult to write these words on the cups. Once you think of six different things to write, stack the cups in a pyramid shape. This could be three cups on the bottom, two on top of those, one on the very top. This is what it looks like when you use encouraging words, you build someone up! Ask God to help you be the kind of friend that encourages your friends.



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2

Say Thanks

This week, we learned how Elisha and Elijah encouraged each other throughout their journey together. Have you ever thought about how you can do that for one of your friends? Take out a piece of paper and some crayons. You are going to create your very own thank you card. Choose a friend and tell them how much you appreciate him or her for being your friend. What a great way to encourage them and build them up just like we learned this week!

Dear God, Thanks so much for giving me amazing friends. Thank You specifically for _____. I pray that they will feel encouraged and important because of the note that I made for them this week. Amen.



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3

I Choose You!

All this week we have been talking about different ways that we can encourage our friends and show them that they are important to us. Look at the list below and circle all the different ways that are encouraging a friend and building them up. Put an "x" through all of the ways that are not. Choose one of these things that you circled and do it for a friend this week.

Draw a picture for your friend
Ask your friend what they would like to play.
Ignore your friend when they wave to you.
Tell your friend that they aren't good at soccer.
Tell your friend that they are really smart.

Look for ways to encourage your friends.



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Just Call Me

Ask an adult if you could call a friend and tell them how cool it is to be their friend! Think of a time when the two of you had a great time or laughed really hard at something. Share this or a favorite memory with them. Just let them know that you think they are great!

Know that God loves it when we encourage each other.



Friends encourage one another.

PARENT CUE

How can these two friends encourage each other with their words? Write or draw in the blank bubbles.

