

Activities:



Write “There is a friend that sticks closer than a brother. ~ Proverbs 18:24” on strips of cloth. Put children in pairs and tie one arm on each of them together. Give one child a pencil and paper and blindfold them. Show a picture to the non-blindfolded children to guide their partner’s arm to copy the picture. The Bible says being a good friend means being so loyal you consider what is best for them as being more important than what is best for you.

David had already been anointed by Samuel as the next king of Israel. Normally, Saul's son, Jonathan, would be the next king. In the Miss America pageant, the former Miss America gives her crown to the new Miss America to show that the title has changed hands. In ancient times, taking off a piece of clothing and giving it to someone else had the same meaning. It was Jonathan's way of saying that he accepted David as the next king, instead of himself. Have children act out transferring a jacket from one to another.

Choose three children to play Saul, David and Jonathan. Have all other children make a circle around David, facing out and holding hands. Saul tries to crawl under children's hands to tag David, while Jonathan tries to tag Saul before he can. When David or Saul gets tagged, choose three new children for the roles.

UPPER

ELEMENTARY

DAVID AND JONATHAN



NAME: _____

David, Jonathan, Saul, Jealousy, Arrows, Michal, Singing, Robe

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lasu _____

srowar _____

bero _____

ajtannoh _____

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gisnign _____

idvda _____

Lower Elementary

David and Jonathan



Name: _____



**Some friends don't help, but a true friend
is closer than your own family.**

~ Proverbs 18:24

- ❖ Print arrows onto cardstock
- ❖ Teacher cuts 2" strips of cardboard from cereal box.
- ❖ Teacher hole punches (or punctures with pen) a hole at bottom and top of each strip.
- ❖ Children tie yarn through holes to make cardboard bend like bow.



A large, hollow upward-pointing arrow with a black outline, serving as a background for the word 'LOYALTY'.

LOYALTY

A large, hollow upward-pointing arrow with a black outline, serving as a background for the word 'FRIENDSHIP'.

FRIENDSHIP

Preschool

Coloring Page:

Encourage children to draw a picture of a friend.

Modeling Dough:

Encourage children to make a friend, or something from the story, like a crown.

Game:

Encourage children to act out ways to be a good friend, like giving hugs, saying please, thank you, I'm sorry, and it's okay, cheering someone up, sharing toys, etc.

David and Jonathan



Name: _____

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick, black, hand-drawn style border. The border is slightly irregular, giving it a personal or child-like feel. The interior of the box is completely white and empty, intended for a child to draw a picture or write a story related to the theme of the worksheet.

I can be a good friend!