



First, watch  
this week's  
video!

**Make Waves:**  
What you  
do today  
can change  
the world  
around you

### Memory Verse

"God began a good work in you. And I am sure that he will carry it on until it is completed. That will be on the day Christ Jesus returns."  
Philippians 1:6, NIV

### Bible Story

David and Jonathan  
1 Samuel 18-20,  
2 Samuel 9

### Key Question

How can you be someone people can count on?

Use this guide to help your family learn how God's Spirit can help us "make waves."

## Activity

### Name Game

#### What You Need:

an object such as balloons or even oranges; writing utensil

#### What You Do:

Write down the following names on your chosen objects, one name per object: *Saul, David, Mephibosheth, Jonathan.*

Tell your child that you're going to play a game to review the Bible story. You'll read a statement, and they'll choose which person/people the statement is true for. (There may be more than one correct name per statement.) If possible, let your child roll or toss the object with the correct name on it.

#### Statements (and answers):

- I grew up in a palace. (*Jonathan*)
- I grew up with sheep. (*David*)
- I defeated a giant. (*David*)
- I tried to kill David. (*Saul*)
- I invited someone to come live in the palace. (*Saul invited David; David invited Mephibosheth.*)
- I was a faithful friend. (*David, Jonathan*)
- I shared my sword and robe. (*Jonathan*)
- I used an arrow to send a warning. (*Jonathan*)
- I died in a battle. (*Saul, Jonathan*)

When you're finished, say,

"Jonathan and David are examples of faithful friends. They stood up for each other, and they could count on each other. With the help of God's Spirit, we can be loyal, faithful friends, too."

## Talk About the Bible Story

How were Jonathan and David examples of faithful friends? (*They stood up for each other; they could count on each other; David kept his promises even after Jonathan had died.*)

Why might it have been hard for Jonathan to honor David the way he did? (*He wasn't really supposed to use his royal sword and robes for anyone else; Jonathan's father was trying to kill David because he felt threatened by him.*)

How has God been faithful to you? How does that impact your faithfulness to others?

What are some ways you can show faithfulness to other people this week?

Encourage your child to be a faithful friend this week. A wave of loyal friendship can go a long way and make a difference in the lives of others.

## Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, You are always faithful! We can always depend on You. Please help each of us to follow Your example and be a faithful friend to others. We know that the way we treat others shows our love and faithfulness to You. So help us be the ones this week that others can count on. In Jesus' name, amen."