

Paul has written a short Family Bible Study to go alongside his message about David and Jonathan's friendship in 1 Samuel 18. Check it out below, and following that, find some other resources you can use as well!

## Family Bible Study:



### Share

On Sunday the focus of Paul's message was on friendship. Think of someone in your life who has been a loyal friend.

- *What do you admire about them?*
- *Why do you value their friendship?*

### Read - Samuel 18:1-4

This passage finds David about to endure perhaps the most challenging time in his young life up until that point. He has been anointed the future King, has killed the giant Goliath and inspired the Israelite army to defeat the Philistines. But the current King Saul is about to turn. Instead of acceptance of God's plan, there will be jealousy, rage and paranoia towards David. David was about to have to flee and go into hiding. Standing in complete contrast to Saul however is Jonathan (Saul's firstborn son).

### Chat

- *What do you notice from these four verses about Jonathan and David's friendship?*
- *Which of these speak most to you right now and why?*

### Read - 1 John 4:11-12 & John 15:13

*What do you think these passages say about how true friendship can nurture our faith in God?*

### Prayer

Think of 1 friend each. As a family, pray for those friends, thanking God for them and praying for their friendship with God. Also pray about how you can BE a good friend and HAVE good friends in your life.

## Check This Out:

If you want to hear more about David and Jonathan, have a look at some of these clips together:



### Pre-school – Young Primary

Douglas Talks – this is about how Jesus is the very best friend

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qnPcdx6o2\\_c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qnPcdx6o2_c)



### Primary

Crossroads Kids Club

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wDDvDFFNbUU&t=14s>



### Primary

Saddleback Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZ2hRq-ei0U>



### Upper Primary - Teen

The Bible Project

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJOju5Dw0V0&t=8s>

A great overview of 1 Samuel – gives much more context

## Make It:

Have fun making friendship bracelets. This YouTube clip has a few different versions to try, but the easiest one is the one with the cardboard wheel – from ~2.56mins in the clip: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u5knLsLjlaE>



### You will need:

- 1 circle cut from a cardboard box – approx. 12cm diameter. (maybe get mum or dad to do this for you)
- 7 strands of wool - approx. 50cm long, can be all the same colour or multi-coloured – whatever you fancy!
- Scissors
- Marker

# Quiet Time Pages:

BibleWise

## David and Jonathan Are Friends

—1 Samuel 18-20



# Friends Forever

When David was serving King Saul, he became good friends with Saul's son, Jonathan. David and Jonathan were such good friends that when Saul decided to try to kill David, Jonathan warned David so he could get away.

To find out what Jonathan said to David, go around the path twice. First, put every letter in a circle on the lines below. Then go back and use every letter in a box.





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## **DAVID AND JONATHAN'S FRIENDSHIP**

1Samuel 18:3-4 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant...And Jonathan took off the robe that was on him and gave it to David, with his armor, even to his sword and his bow and his belt.

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LIFE

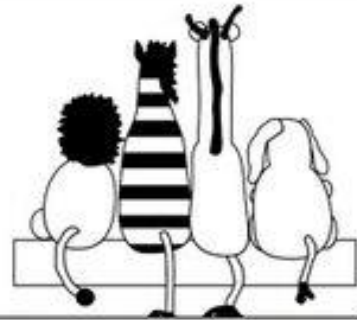
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# Friendship Word Search



CARING

BEST FRIEND

LAUGHTER

TRUST

SHARE

CONFIDE

MEMORIES

RESPECT

LISTENS

LIKE

UNDERSTANDING

SPECIAL

CO OPERATES

KINDNESS

HELPS



