



## **Family Activities**

### ***God Is Love (David and Jonathan's Friendship)***

***1 Samuel 19-20; 31:1-2; 2 Samuel 9:1-7***

#### **Step One: Watch Video**

#### **Step Two: Choose an activity or two to do with your family!**

#### **Activity #1: 1, 2, God Loves You (younger kids)**

##### **RELATE**

**Gather your family together and say, "God is love, and He's always showing His children how much He loves them."** Sing the following song (to the rhythm of "One, Two, Buckle My Shoe") to your children and ask them to close their eyes as they listen to what God is saying to them today:

**One, two, God loves you!  
Three, four, there's so much more.  
Five, six, His love sticks.  
Seven, eight, Jesus is great!  
Nine, ten, begin again.**

Repeat two or three times. Encourage kids to sing with you. Then, invite your kids to open their eyes and share what they hear God saying to them. Before each child responds, sing the following:

**One, two, God loves you!  
Three, four, please tell us more ...**

Encourage your kids to sing their response if they're comfortable!

#### **Activity #2: Buddy ball (younger and older kids)**

##### **SUPPLIES**

- Ball (medium-sized)

##### **RELATE**

As you're holding the ball, invite your family to sit in a circle. **This is a "buddy ball," and we'll roll it to each other to learn more about each other.** To begin, share your favorite place you have been and roll the ball to another family member in the circle. Other things to share might include favorite animals, games, something you want to do in the future, a favorite memory and so on.

### **Activity #3: Decode the Message (older kids)**

#### **SUPPLIES:**

- Worksheet from Website
- Pen or pencil

#### **RELATE**

Print worksheet from Website. Then follow instructions at top to solve the message Jonathan shared with David.

### **Activity #4: Blessing prayer**

Say this prayer over your children this week:

**(*Child's name*), may you trust and know the love of the LORD. May you know that He is your hope and your strength.**