### FOR FAMILIES TO LEARN AND GROW TOGETHER IN JESUS

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# Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness

Galatians 5:22; 1 Samuel 20



### **THE LESSON**

David and Jonathan are best friends, but Jonathan's father, King Saul, hates David and wants him dead. David has won great victories for the Israelites over the giant Goliath and other enemies. David has also been told by God that he is to become the next king of Israel and replace Saul. Saul is jealous, angry, and afraid David will take over the kingdom. Saul tries several times to kill David.

Jonathan, who normally would become the next king – seeing as he is the current king's son – is a faithful and loving friend to David. Jonathan knows God wants David to be the next king. One time, Jonathan risks his own life to find out whether David is in danger, then sends David safely away from Saul. Read all about Jonathan's and David's plan and secret signal in 1 Samuel 20 (see link above).

## THE POINT Faithfulness is a fruit of the Spirit.







Jonathan and David



**David and Jonathan** 

## Watch the Videos Above and Then Do the Questions

- 1. Who is Jonathan?
- 2. Who is Jonathan's best friend?
- 3. Why is it rather unusual for Jonathan to be best friends with David?
- 4. How does King Saul feel about David?
- 5. Why does King Saul feel this way?
- 6. Why is Jonathan willing to be David's friend even though he knows his father, Saul, hates David?
- 7. Who said David was to become king?

- 8. How does this lesson about Jonathan and David connect with the Fruit of the Spirit, Faithfulness?
- 9. Do you have friends that are faithful to you? If so, explain how.
- 10. What have you ever done to show your faithfulness to one of your friends or family members?
- 11. God is the most faithful Friend of all. How has God been faithful to you?



#### **Living By the Spirit**



### You Forgive Me







### Through the Week

- Have family members each choose the pair of shoes they wear most often.
- Stick a piece of duct tape to the bottom of each shoe.
- Whenever you wear those shoes, you can look at the soles of the shoes and be reminded that God sticks with you.
- Whenever you see the tape, thank God for his faithfulness and ask him to help you be faithful, too.





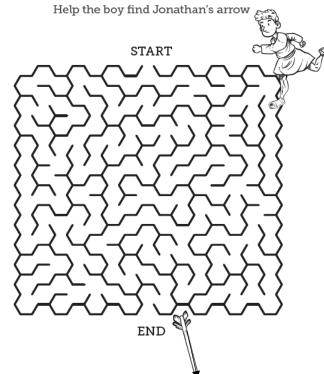
Get a fun take on Jonathan and David by watching...

Best Friends
Forever



Dear Father in Heaven: You are the Great I AM — the same yesterday, today, and forever. You do not change and you are faithful. You never let us down. You never leave us. THANKS for all of this. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to be faithful — to never leave you and to always trust your promises. Help us also to love and be faithful to others, like Jonathan was to David. Use our faithfulness to others to bring them closer and closer to you. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.







I AM

