



A Good Friend Tells Others About Jesus! From Entourage Lesson 8

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - FRIENDSHIP

A great leader shares beliefs about God with others in a genuine way.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that the best way we can be a friend to others is to tell them about Jesus.

LEADERSHIP STORY

Phillip and the Ethiopian. (Acts 8:26-40)

WHAT DO I DO?

Have your children read the Leadership Story. Next, have your children watch the Leadership Video and complete the Child Leadership Questions. If you want to do the Optional Family Activity, have the whole family watch the Leadership Video, then lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: PASS THE WORD

Play "hot potato" with a ball or stuffed animal and a timer. You could use a wrist watch alarm, or a game timer. Set the timer for a different amount of time each round that you play so that no one will know exactly when the time is running out. Pass the ball quickly around the circle. Whoever ends up with the ball when the timer rings, is out. The last person still in wins a prize. After the game, ask your family what it was like to never know when the timer was running out. Tell them that you never know when your time will run out to share Jesus with the people around you. They might move away, go to a different class, or decide to not be in the same sport as you next year. Our time is limited with the people around us, so we should always be sharing Jesus with them. We need to continue to share Jesus with our friends in a kind and loving way so that they will listen and hopefully accept Jesus as their Savior.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching." 2 Timothy 4:2 (NLT)



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Read the story of Phillip and the Ethiopian from the Bible in Acts 8:26-40. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. What did Pastor Mike say was the best way to show love to our friends?
2. Pastor Mike talked about many different ways we could tell our friends about Jesus. Some of them were not good ways because they will make our friends stop listening to us. Some of them were good ways because they will help our friends open up and listen to what we have to say. Look at the list below and cross out the ways that will make our friends stop listening and circle the ways that will help them open up and listen.

Yell at them.

Talk in a loving way.

Show through our actions that we care about them.

Act like we are better than them.

Let them know we want the best for them.

Call them a bad person.

Tell them that God loves them.

Point out all the bad things they have done.

3. There was a person in our Leadership Story who showed love by sharing about Jesus. Who was it?



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4. The man Phillip saw was a foreigner from Ethiopia. When Phillip saw the Ethiopian man, did he go closer or farther away?
5. How did Phillip know that the man was reading the Bible? Look at Acts 8:30.
6. Phillip listened to the man. How did Phillip find out that the man needed to know about Jesus?

Your friends probably aren't going to drive by your house reading the Bible out loud and ask you to explain it to them. But you can still follow Phillip's example: get closer, listen, and ask.

- Get closer to them. Spend time with your friends. Write down a way you can spend time with a friend who needs to know about Jesus.
- Listen to them. Think about problems that your friends talk about a lot. Listen to them and try to help them with their problems.
- Ask about Jesus. Write down some questions to ask your friends about Jesus. Listen to what they have to say.

Once you have done these things, you can share with your friend what you know about Jesus and invite them to church to learn even more. When you tell your friends about Jesus, you are showing them God's love and introducing them to the best friend ever. Ask God to give you a chance to share with your friends, like Phillip shared with the Ethiopian. Then, be ready to respond with love and tell your friends how to be best friends with Jesus.

Memory Verse: Ask your parents to help you memorize this verse.

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1. Share Jesus with them.
2. Circle the following: Talk in a loving way. Show through our actions that we care about them. Let them know we want the best for them. Tell them that God loves them.
3. Phillip.
4. He went closer.
5. He was reading out loud. He heard Him.
6. He asked a question.