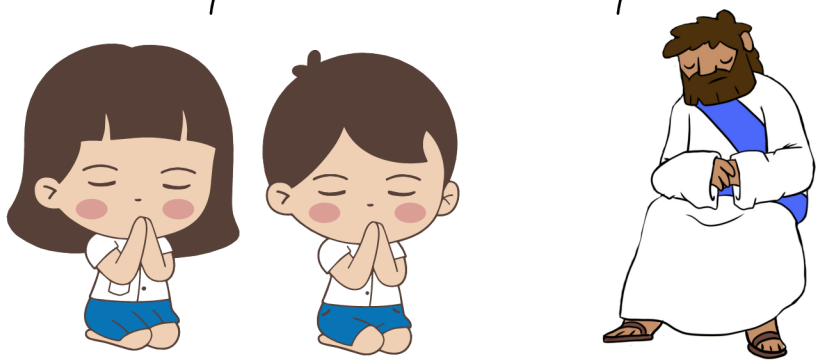


READ THE POEM

God is with you every day.
In your heart, He's here to stay.
When you laugh and when you play,
God is just a prayer away!



When you need a helping hand,
Or someone who will understand,
Just close your eyes and say a prayer.
God, your friend, is always there!



TAKE-HOME PAPER
EARLY CHILDHOOD



Name _____



BIBLE STORY
DRAWING CLOSE TO GOD
JAMES 4:6-8, 10



Dear Parents, This was the second week of the series on James. Each week we will be looking at principles from a different chapter of James, which is full of wonderful advice. Today we learned about how we can grow **CLOSE TO GOD!** You can help your child continue to grow by using the activities in this Take-Home Paper at your own pace. It's fun, easy, and you will grow together! When your child completes this, sign the front and have them return it to class the following week for a prize.

“...FAITH BY
ITSELF ISN'T
ENOUGH.”

James 2:17

PARENT'S SIGNATURE

READ: DRAWING CLOSE TO GOD

JAMES 4:6-8, 10

"And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say, 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.'"

proud

1



humble



Being PROUD means that you only put yourself first. It means to not care much about others!

2



Being HUMBLE means that you know you can always try to be better. When you are HUMBLE, you put GOD and OTHER above yourself!

3



"So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

4



We can be humble by praying to God and asking Him for help! Praying also brings us CLOSER to God!

"Come close to God, and God will come close to you."

5



"Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts."

6



We can clean our hearts when we say we're sorry for doing bad things and try really hard to do good things, instead!

SAY AND WRITE THE ONE THING

6

GOD

IS

MY

FRIEND



FRIENDS WITH GOD AND OTHERS

We have to be kind to our friends and work together with them! God is our friend, so we should be kind to Him, too!

Put a **CIRCLE** around the things we can do to be good friends to others.

Put a **BOX** around the things we do to be friends with God!



learn from my Bible



pray

go to church



Good deeds
can be good
for everything!



5 READ TRINA'S STORY

Trina had a lot of friends who she loved to play with at the park. Their favorites were tag, hide-n-seek, and monkey in the middle! But Trina got sad whenever she went back home because she didn't like to be alone. She wanted to be with her friends! Then, Trina remembered what she learned in church. She was never really alone because God was always with her! She looked around the room, but didn't see Him anywhere.



"What's wrong? Tina's mom asked. 'I know that God is always with me, but I don't see Him,' Tina replied. Her mom sat down with her and said, 'God is always with us! He is right in our hearts. We can talk to Him just like you talk to your friends at the park! Do you want to talk to Him now?' Tina got so excited! 'Yes!' She said. Then, she and her mom prayed together. It felt like God was standing right with them, and she knew she'd never be lonely!

- Do you like to play with friends just like Tina?
- Have you ever felt lonely?
- What did Tina do when she felt lonely?
- When can we pray to God?



God Is My Friend!

2 HELP WILLARD TRAIN!

Willard wants to be a firefighter! Help him use the firehose by tracing the numbers on the water drops!

