



The Idea Hoarder

For the Activity Collector in You

Dear Miss Idea Hoarder! Share any ideas, ask questions ... or make confessions to ideahoarder@mmarksclassroom.com

Look what I found!



Art Activity

Creating cards for friends

Gather:

- ⇒ Markers, crayons, paint daubers
- ⇒ Stickers and/or cut out pictures of people helping others
- ⇒ Glue sticks or glue with paint brushes
- ⇒ Construction paper (9 X12), assorted colors folded in half
- ⇒ Pre-print the Bible verse on the bottom of the front card

Invite children to make a card for someone special, could be a parent, a teacher, or staff member. Suggest that they draw or glue stickers or cut-out pictures on the folded paper. As children work on their cards, share about Bible friends, emphasizing kindness. Let the children know they can show kindness like people did in the Bible.



Home Living

Preparing a Meal for friends

Provide clean, peeled, and washed grapes, cut in half, apple slices cut into small pieces that have been dipped in lemon juice to prevent turning brown, miniature marshmallows, Halo oranges, peeled and segmented (if not available, canned mandarin works well), large bowl and small cups for serving, and plastic spoons.

Remind children to wash hands prior to beginning activity. Place fruit in individual bowls. Invite children to choose fruit and add to the large bowl. As you stir, tell the children they can show kindness to each other while working together. God made them special to do kind things with friends. The bible tells us God made us special. Spoon the fruit salad into small cups to serve. Offer a prayer of thanksgiving prior to eating the fruit together.



Books

Reading together in a tent

Select several books about friends. Place them inside of a tent. Encourage children to select a book as they enter the tent and look at the pictures and tell how they can be kind to others as they read together. Remind children that in Bible times friends may have sat inside of a tent, which could have been their home and listened to stories about God. In Bible times, people did not have books like we do today with pictures of friends, but instead, they sat and talked with their friends using kind words. We can thank God for the books that have pictures that remind us to be kind to one another.



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