

## IDENTITY & SELF ACCEPTANCE | WEEK 10

### LEADERS GOAL

Each student builds friendship at K2K

### SCRIPTURES

Proverbs 17:17  
Ecclesiastes 4:12  
I Samuel 18

### ACTIVITIES

Three Cord Bracelet  
Staying Connected Activity

### PRAY

### SUPPLIES

- Yarn in various colours for bracelet making
- Beads
- Scissors
- Painter's tape
- Bible marked and open to Proverbs 17:17, Ecclesiastes 4:12, I Samuel 18
- Chairs arranged in a circle

### BOTTOM LINE

We're designed to be together in Community

## AS STUDENTS ARRIVE

Was there a time this past week where you felt connected to God and felt His love?  
Who remembered whenever you put on your shoes, that you are not alone?  
Were you able to be a friend to someone who was lonely? How did that go?

## STORY CONNECTION

Last week, we talked about how Horton wanted to connect with someone who valued and cared for him. He wasn't the only one. Who else wanted a friend and felt alone in the universe? (JoJo)  
"One small voice in the universe. One true friend in the universe. Who believes in me." (Script, p.32)

What else do we know about JoJo? (He felt small and unseen. He felt his thinking got him into trouble.)

You were made to connect with God. He is with you, a true friend, and He believes in you.  
You were made to connect with others. Friendships are the best!

Choose readers for Horton and JoJo. Read their conversation where they learn they are a lot alike. (Script, p33)



## TRUTH & TREASURE

What does the Bible say about friendship?

A friend loves at all times. Proverbs 17:17 NIV

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. One cord of three strands is not quickly broken. Ecclesiastes 4:12 NIV

David and Jonathan's Friendship – I Samuel 18

An example of a strong friendship is David and Jonathan's friendship in the Bible. Jonathan loved David "as himself," made a solemn pact with him, and even risked his life and disobeyed his father, King Saul, to protect his friend.

Let's watch this video together to learn more about the friendship between David and Jonathan  
Video Link: <https://youtu.be/pZ2hRq-ei0U>

## OUR STORIES

- What makes someone a great friend who is easy to connect with?
- Are you this kind of friend we just described?
- In what ways can you grow to become an even better friend for others?
- In what ways have your friends helped you grow and learn something new about yourself?

## DISCOVERY TIME

### Activity: Three Cord Bracelet

Students choose 3 yarn colours to braid together into a bracelet. Remind students that just like a cord of three strands is strong, we are stronger together. Can add beads to their bracelet if they'd like as well

### Activity: Staying Connected Activity

Students split to form two lines. Use painters tape to mark a starting line and a finish line. The line who stays connected through each challenge is the winner.

Challenges:

- With one hand on the person's shoulder in front, bend down to scoot like a snail.
- With arms linked together in a tight circle, hop to the finish line.
- With pinkies linked together, jump two feet together to the finish line.
- With arms linked across shoulders, lunge to the finish line.



## **PRAYER**

Dear God, thank you that you are our friend. Thank you for the friends you have given us at school and at K2K. Help us to be a friend who loves at all times, who is honest, kind, faithful, and patient. That's what you are for us so help us to be that for each other. Amen.

## **WEEKLY CHALLENGE**

Tell a friend this week that you are thankful for them and their friendship. Remember Horton and JoJo who wanted one true friend in the universe who believed in them. Stay true and faithful to each other because you were created for community.

