

OPENING SESSION | DAY 2



Key Question	Where do I belong?
Life Application	You belong in your family and with great friends
Bottom Line	Created to belong and help others feel the same
Basic Truth	I should treat others the way I want to be treated

DAY 2 | YOU BELONG WITH GREAT FRIENDS

What makes me a great friend?

Supplies:

- Bible story tableau friends (Crew Leaders)
- a Bible for each Crew Leader placed around stage
- a lunch bag for each Crew Leader placed around stage
- a few dollar bills for Crew Leaders
- notebook
- giant pencil

HOST: Good morning VISTO! (Hold out V-shaped fingers. Wait for a response from the Campers)

So happy you are here today! We have so much fun in store today as we talk more about BELONGING.

Yesterday, we learned about how you belong in your family no matter what that looks like. Today, we are talking about friends and how you belong with great friends.

You know, feeling like you belong is important. Everyone wants to belong

OPENING GAME | FREEZE DANCE

Let's start our morning by playing a fun game about belonging.

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- Everyone stand up inside your Crew.
- When the music starts, break out in dance moves.
- When the music suddenly stops, you must quickly link arms with another friend. Now you belong together.
- However, the last to link up is out of the game.

When the music starts playing again, you unlink and start dancing.

Got it? Are you ready?

Play the Camp song for the game music.

Host:

What great dance moves you have, Campers! Nice job linking up. You belong together.

Connection to BELONGING Theme

Host:

Having good friends is important and you belong with great friends.

VERA enters the stage walking with her head down writing in a notebook as she walks. She suddenly trips and falls.

Host: Rushes to VERA's side

VERA, are you OK? (If Campers want to say, "Hi, VERA," give room for them to say Hello.)

Let me help you up. Are you hurt?

VERA:

I'm OK. Hi, everyone! Thanks, __Host's name__, for helping me up. I guess I shouldn't walk and write at the same time.

Host:

What were you writing?

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VERA:

I was making a list of what makes a good friend.
I wrote, A friend is kind. They are funny because I love to laugh.
A good friend thinks of others and buys BIG Birthday gifts.
They are a good listener because I have lots to say.
And they bake cookies because I love chocolate chip cookies.
VERA goes on and on with her list.

Host:

That is quite a list, VERA. I was just talking with the Campers about how having good friends is important. They belong with great friends.

VERA:

Yes, they do!

Host:

I know about a group of friends who were kind and thought of others just like the friend you wrote about. Want to hear about them, VERA?

VERA:

Yes! I love stories about great friends.
VERA sits down with the Campers

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Bible Story - The Believers Share Everything (Early Church) (Acts 2:42-47, Acts 4:32)

Cue Bible Story Time sound effect

As the Host shares the Bible story, mini tableaux played by the Crew Leaders happen at the same time. Crew Leaders begin wandering around the stage as if street people.

Host:

(Get a Bible) (Host flips through the Bible to find Acts 2.) Here in the Bible...

What is the Bible? The Bible is...

campers respond "Truth"

It tells of friends who loved God and wanted to be kind and helpful to others.

They encouraged each other

Wandering Crew Leaders suddenly pair up and give each other high fives.

Tjeu prayed for each other

Wandering Crew Leaders suddenly pair up and pray together.

They read the Bible together and reminded each other of all the things Jesus did and said.

Wandering Crew Leaders suddenly pick up a Bible laid around the stage and pair up to read together.

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They ate meals together

Wandering Crew Leaders suddenly pick up their lunches and all sit together in one big circle as if having a picnic.

They even sold their houses to give to anyone who needed money or food.

Wandering Crew Leaders suddenly pair up and one pretends to pull money out of their pocket to give to the other.

VERA: (stands up)

Wow! That's amazing.

I think I need to add a few more things to my list of what makes a great friend. I should add prays with me, reads the Bible with me, and helps others.

Host:

Those are three great things to add to your list, VERA.

Campers, you belong with great friends. You know what that means? That means choosing good friends and being a great friend.

As you go about your day, I want you to think of your answer to the question:

What makes me a great friend?

Cue Question of the Day Animation and SFX

VISTO VIRTUES - Behavior Expectations

Host:

Now, before we rotate, let's remember our VISTO Virtues. Everyone say "VISTOOO!" (Let Campers respond with VISTOOO!)

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Following our VISTO Virtues is an important thing to do today to help others.

1. We are super stars at being respectful and kind. No bullying is allowed.
2. Go Outside with Permission and with a VISTO Staff
3. Keep Your Hands to Yourself and distractions away
4. Dive In! Take part in all of the activities and have fun!

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