

# JESUS IS THE PERFECT FRIEND

## FRIENDSHIP

**Directions:** Cut out each box on the dotted line. Distribute one of the boxes to each group. Read the appropriate Scripture passage and answer the question.

### JESUS STICKS UP FOR HIS FRIENDS

Read John 8:1-11 (This is the story where Jesus saves a woman from being killed. She is guilty of a crime, but Jesus persuades the crowd to have mercy on her and save her life).

Give an example of a time in which you might have to stick up for your friend.

### JESUS TELLS HIS FRIENDS THE TRUTH

Read Matthew 12:33-37 (This is the story where Jesus tells the Pharisees the truth about their bad behavior. Jesus did this even though it was an unpopular thing to do).

Give an example of a difficult situation in which you might have tell the truth even if it is unpopular.

### JESUS FORGIVES HIS FRIENDS

Read John 21:15-19 (After Jesus was arrested, Peter was afraid he would also be arrested. Peter denied that he was friends with Jesus when confronted by others. In this passage, Jesus forgives Peter for betraying him and reassures him of his love).

Give an example of a situation in which you might have to forgive a friend that hurt you.

### JESUS HELPS HIS FRIENDS WHEN THEY ARE IN TROUBLE

Read Matthew 14:22-33 (This is the story where Jesus walks on the water. Jesus invites Peter to walk on the water as well, but Peter begins to sink. Jesus immediately reaches in to save Peter from drowning).

Give an example of how you can help a friend who might be in a difficult situation.