

3s, 4s & 5s

God TIME

September
Week 1

SPECIAL WORDS:

God [point up] **wants us** [point to self] **to be kind friends** [hug self].

BIBLE STORY:

Ruth and Naomi

Ruth 1-4



BIBLE STORY TIME

We had a great time learning about Ruth and Naomi. When Naomi's husband and sons died, she decided to go back home to Israel. Her daughter-in-law Ruth went with Naomi, because she loved her and wanted to know Naomi's God. Ruth gathered leftover grain from the fields so they could have food. One day, the owner of the land, Boaz, saw Ruth and wanted to help her. He left extra grain for Ruth to gather. He fell in love with Ruth and married her. They had a baby boy named Obed, and Naomi had a brand-new family. You can read this story to your child in Ruth 1-4 of a Children's Bible.

BIBLE VERSE TIME

"Give thanks to the **Lord** [arms up in a V], **because he is good** [hands over heart]. **Psalm 106:1b NlRV** [Clap hands together & open like a book]

PRAYER TIME



Have your child repeat this prayer after you.

Dear God,
[Dear God,]

Help me to be a friend
[Help me to be a friend]
by showing kindness.
[by showing kindness.]

In Jesus' Name,
[In Jesus' Name,]

Amen.
[Amen.]

CUDDLE TIME



As you cuddle with your child, think of ways you can be kind friends. Say, "We can be kind friends by sharing our toys! Let's pretend to share our toys." Then, say the special words together: **God** [point up] **wants us** [point to self] **to be kind friends** [hug self]. Then say, "We can be kind friends by giving hugs! Give me a hug!" Then, repeat the special words, and continue on with other ways to show kindness. (Listening to a friend, asking them to play, drawing a picture with them, etc)