

# HEY, HI, HELLO

God Gives Me Friends

**November 17, 2024**

## **I Am Made for Community Leader Weekly Devotion**

### Leader Notes

**Bible Passage:** Paul Gave Hope- Philippians 4

**Bottom Line:** I can cheer on my friends.

**Leader Context:** As we continue in our series on community, we will teach kids that they can cheer on their friends. In the book of Philippians, Paul wrote to encourage Jesus' followers in how they lived in community. This included cheering on and encouraging the good and honorable attributes they noticed in each other. Being connected in community means we can cheer on and encourage our friends.

**THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS:** Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

**Read-** Philippians 4

**Highlight:** Philippians 4:8-9

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**Reflect-** How can you cheer on, encourage, and celebrate your friends?

- Encourage them face to face.
- Send them encouraging messages.
- Build them up to other people.

**Pray:** Thank You God, for the incredible friends You've brought into my life. Help me to see good and amazing attributes in each of them and help me to be the kind of friend who celebrates them. Amen.

**Prepare:** What difference does it make when your friends encourage and cheer you on? How has God equipped you to be an encourager to others?

### Study

God never intended for us to be alone or disconnected. That's why Parkway Church is home to so many families. This month we get to help kids make all kind of connections. Check out these tools to help you find ways to share this with your small group and others in the Parkway Community.

**Blog:** [NextGen Ministry for the Whole Church](#)

**Training Video:** [Connecting Kids Across all ages](#)

**Podcast:** Check out the [Hyfi Preschool and Kids Weekly Training Podcast](#). New episodes drop every Tuesday.

### Leader Tips