

PROVERBS

Homelink

June 25, 2017

Memory Verse:

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

- Proverbs 1:7

One Big Thing:

Jesus wants us to have wise friends.

Review:

This week, we looked at Proverbs 13:20, “Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm.” We learned about the importance of having wise friends--friends who also know that they need Jesus. We clarified that this does not mean that we only spend time with people who know Jesus, but that the people with whom we are closest and spend the most time are wise. We illustrated this by having everyone walk in one direction with linked arms, while one person tried to walk through them, showing how difficult that is compared to spending time with people who are walking in the same direction. When we become followers of Jesus, He becomes our best friend and wants us to have other wise friends, as well.

Good Questions to Ask:

1. Why is it important to have friends that are wise?

Because we want to be wise, too, and having wise friends helps us to become more wise.

2. What are the dangers of spending too much time with friends who are not wise?

We might start doing some of the unwise things that they do like lying, disobeying our parents, not working hard, and most importantly, forgetting about our need for Jesus.

3. What has Jesus done to provide us with wise friends?

Jesus died on the cross, saved us from our sins, and made us a part of His family. Jesus gives us church family because He wants us to have good friends that follow Him, too.

4. Are there friends in our church family that can help you be more wise? Can you think of ways to spend more time with these friends?

These friends can be adults your parents can have over for dinner or other kids that you could invite over for a playdate.

Pray together as a family:

“Father, thank You for accepting us as Your friends. Thank You for putting people in our lives who are also wise and following after You. Please help us to value our friendships with wise people, and where we do not have wise friends, help us to look for them.”

