

FRIENDS



What makes a good friend?

What things can you do with your friends?

How can you make them feel happy?

Why is it important to have a good friend?



Draw or paint a picture of your friend.
Make a paper chain with someone at home.



Make them a friendship bracelet to show you are thinking of them. You could use beads, pasta, straws, pipe cleaners or paper. You could post your picture or bracelet to your friend.



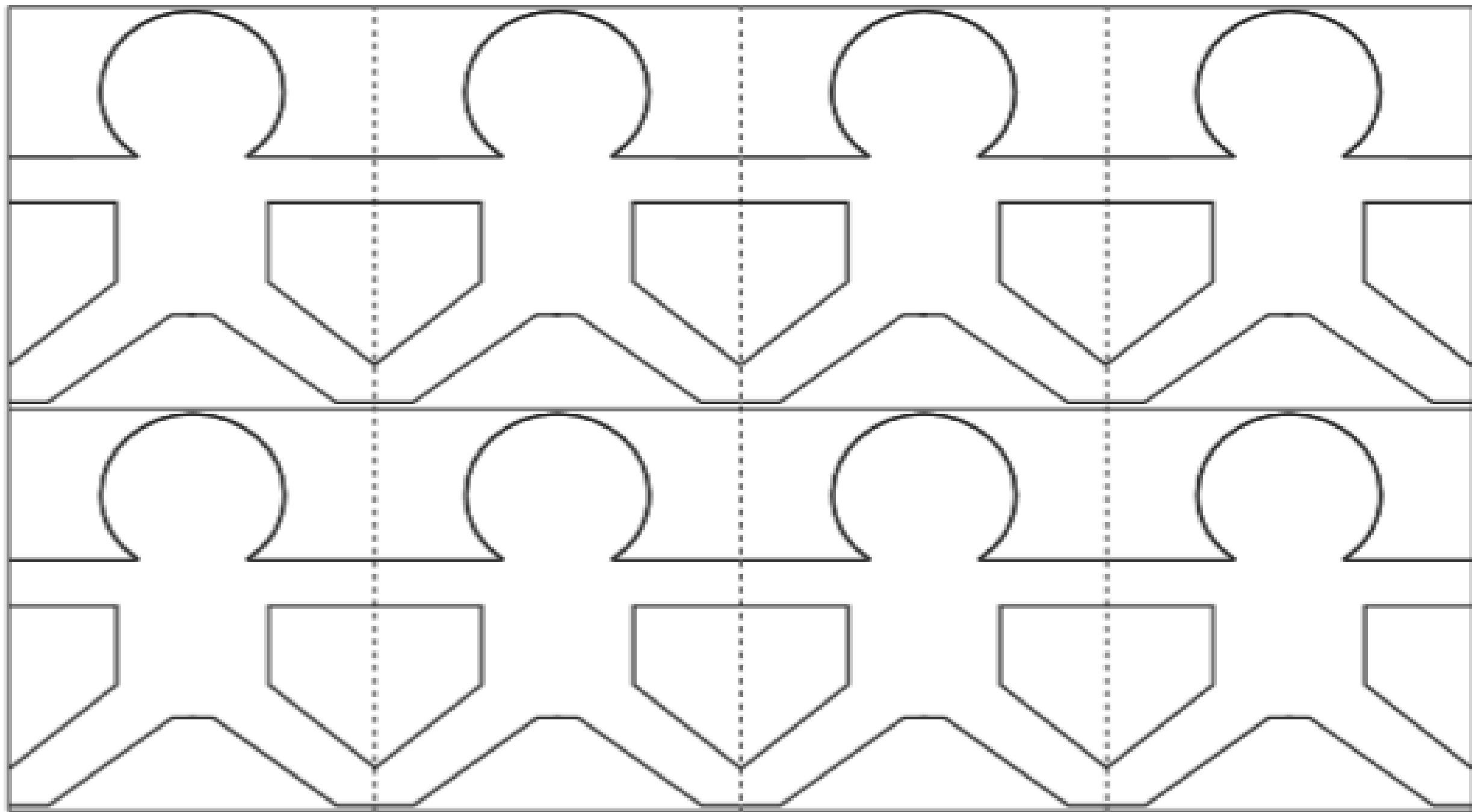
Can you make a friendship ring candle using playdoh?

This activity is to symbolise that Jesus is the lights of the world and the ring is our friendship bond.

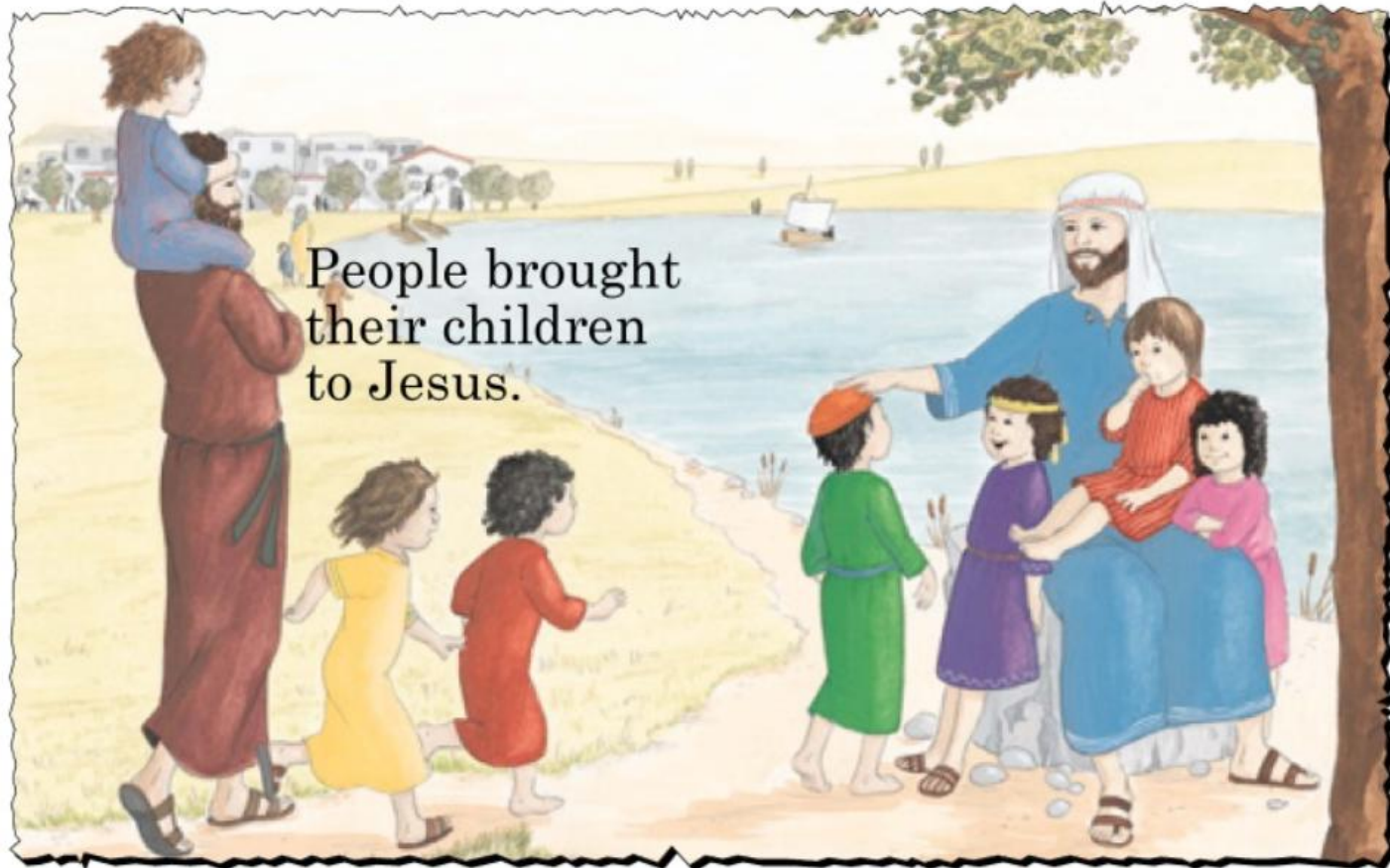


Have a teddy bears picnic.





Lots of people brought their children to Jesus. Jesus is a special friend to everyone and we can talk to him and tell him about things that are important to us.



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Can you make a collage of yourself and some special friends?



What would happen if the people in the picture didn't help each other? What if they didn't share or care for each other?

What is the most important thing that Jesus tells us about being friends? How are the people in the picture doing this?



What do you do to help at home?





Respond

Remembering, celebrating and responding to how we can make good friends, that Jesus had good friends and what Jesus tells us about friendship.

Ask the children if there is anything they wonder about

- How friends make us feel happy, comfortable and glad.
- What breaks and mends friendships.
- How Jesus is our friend.

Provide the opportunity, possibly by one of the means above, for the children to remember

- It is good to have friends.
- What Jesus tells us about being friends.
- Jesus' new rule for friends.
- How we can change and say sorry and forgive each other.

