

Jesus chooses you

Aim: To show that just as Jesus chose His disciples and Jesus chooses you to follow Him to.

You will need: A bag of sweets or other food. A Bible. A paper hand with 'Jesus is my friend' written on it.

Bible Focus: Mark 1:16-20

Opening Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for sending your Son Jesus to the Earth to help us know more about you. Thank you for the things He did and thank you that because He died without doing anything wrong we can choose to be close to you. Please help us find out more about Jesus today so that we can act more like him.
Amen

Illustration: Using your bag of sweets or food make a big deal of choosing the right sweet for the right child. E.g. Rebecca I know you love pink so I am going to give you the one with the pink wrapper. Gemma I know you can't have chocolate so I have especially chosen a chewy sweet for you. Etc

Intro: It feels nice when people know about us. We are going to read about how Jesus knew the names of people and how he called them to be his friends.

Read Mark 1:16-20

Conclude: Just like Jesus knew their names and called them to be his friends he knows our names and all about us as well and he wants to be friends with us. So if you ever need Jesus you can put your hand out and imagine that he is holding it like a friend does.

Activity: Colour in the hands.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, Thank you that you know us by name and pick us to be your friends. Sorry when we are horrible to our friends. Please help us to be a good friend like you are. Amen