



Week 8: 1Samuel 18: 1b (ESV) “the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.”

Our story today is about friendship and our new ornament is a picture of 2 friends. These friends are named David and Jonathan. Jonathan is the son of King Saul. David is God’s choice to be the next King.

So, let’s start our story as David and Jonathan meet for the first time. David has just managed to kill the Giant Goliath with his slingshot. Jonathan is watching his father Saul celebrate David.

David and Jonathan could decide to be jealous of each other, but as they with each other. They remember that they both believe in God’s power. They will stand together. David and Jonathan become friends for life. David had God’s protection and he kept fighting to save Saul and Jonathan. Jonathan and David encouraged each other.

As time goes on, Saul becomes angry with David. He even plans to kill David. But Jonathan is watching and listening. He sends a signal with an arrow to warn David to run away to safety. Jonathan puts himself in danger to save his friend.

The friends knew they could trust each other forever. After Jonathan died, David took care of Jonathan’s son Mephibosheth. Mephibosheth couldn’t walk. King David brought Mephibosheth into his own family and gave Jonathan’s son land and servants.

We learn how to be a good friend when we remember the friendship between David and Jonathan. Friends stand with each other, work together, protect each other, and keep their promises.



David and Jonathan Coded Words



Each number stands for a letter of the alphabet. Write the correct letter in the blank to find the coded words and phrase.

Code key

A 1	J 10	S 19
B 2	K 11	T 20
C 3	L 12	U 21
D 4	M 13	V 22
E 5	N 14	W 23
F 6	O 15	X 24
G 7	P 16	Y 25
H 8	Q 17	Z 26
I 9	R 18	

19 1 21 12

6 18 9 5 14 4

16 1 12 1 3 5

3 15 22 5 14 1 14 20

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A friend 12 15 22 5 19 1 20

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