



FRIEND OF GOD – “DAILY ENCOUNTERS STRENGTHEN MY SPIRIT”

LESSON OVERVIEW

Revelation: Daily Encounters Strengthen my Spirit

Bible Lesson: Acts 19:1-6

Heart: Daily encounters make us close to Jesus and allow us to walk in His power.

Memory Verse: “Jesus said, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.’” – John 14:6

GAME

- Musical Chairs
- 4-Corners
- Playground

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Page Team Lead for all communication of needs (supplies, parent assistance, medical, restroom breaks)
- NEVER leave the classroom without paging Team Lead
- NEVER be alone with a child – this includes one on one conversations
- NO pictures or video recording is allowed in the classroom
- Every child and serve team member MUST wear their name tag

RULES

- Respect

DECLARATION

“I am a child of God, full of His Holy Spirit. I am learning His ways. I am made to encounter and connect with Him daily. I am walking in His favor and carrying His presence wherever I go.”

CONNECT WITH GOD FOCUS

- Adoration



REVELATION

SAY | In this series we are discovering how we are friends of God. Did you know that you and I can be friends of God?

Close your eyes and think about your very best friend. What is your favorite thing to do with them? Is it swimming, playing videos games, painting each other nails? God created you to enjoy those very things, did you know that you can encounter God while doing things that you love? This is one way we get to be a friend of God, by spending time with Him, just like we do with our closest friends.

Okay close your eyes one more time, think about all the times you have hung out with your best friend. Is it a lot or a little? It's probably a lot. The same way that our best friends are the ones we spend the most time with, Jesus becomes our best friend by spending the most time with Him.

Can anyone think of another word for spending time with someone? (Lead them to the word encounter) Encountering God is just a fancy way of saying spending time with God. And when we spend time with God, we become closer to Him.

Our revelation today is Daily Encounters Strengthen my Spirit.

Let's pray, Holy Spirit, we welcome you here, we don't make room for you, but we give you the entire room. We ask you to teach us your ways so that we may know you and find your favor. Speak Lord, your servants are listening. Amen.

BIBLE LESSON

TEACHER PROMPT | If you memorize this story and this lesson, it will help you teach it in excellence and allow Holy Spirit to speak to you and through you.

BIBLE LESSON INTRO | Our Bible lesson today is found in Acts 19:1-6

Think back to our Bible story from last week, Saul encountered Jesus on that road, and everything changed for him. He was later known by the name of Paul and Paul did not let that one encounter be the only one he ever had with Jesus. In fact, Paul



even taught others to encounter God by saying “pray in the Spirit at all times.” Say “all times” with me.

Paul and Jesus were close - like best friends. Let me tell you a true story.

One day when Paul was teaching many people about Jesus being the Savior of the World, and God was doing mighty miracles through Paul. He was so full of the Spirit and Dunamis Power of God that even his handkerchiefs (like a little towel that he would carry around) and his clothes carried the power of God. People would take his parts of his clothing and lay them on the sick and those oppressed by evil spirits, and they would be healed! Talk about POWER! Paul had the Power of the Holy Spirit, because He encountered Jesus daily – they spent time together.

There were Jews that didn’t encounter Jesus daily, so they didn’t carry the power of God but were claiming to have the power of God. In their own strength they tried to command an evil spirit out of a man. They said, “By the same Jesus that Paul talks about, I order you to come out.” The evil spirit spoke back to them and said, “I know Jesus, and I know about Paul, but who are you?”

The evil spirit recognized that these Jews didn’t spend time with Jesus or carry the power of God like Paul did and the evil spirit attacked them. **Our revelation today is, Daily Encounters Strengthen My Spirit.**

TEACHER PROMPT | Ask Holy Spirit what He wants to do in this next moment. Lead children into a daily encounter with the Lord.

SALVATION + DISCUSSION

TEACHER PROMPT | This invitation to an eternity with Jesus is huge! Be sensitive to what Holy Spirit wants to do in this time. Ask Him to think through your thoughts and speak through your mouth!

SAY | God loves YOU so much that He gave his only Son that anyone who believes, in Jesus, might be saved and have everlasting life, John 3:16. God wants to be close to you. He has taken every step to be close to you. If you have never accepted



Jesus into your heart, you can today! (You can invite children to raise hands, come forward, etc. have everyone repeat prayer together)

PRAYER | Father God you are Holy. Holy Spirit, we thank you for all that you teach us and that we get to know you Jesus, we thank you for laying down your life so that we can be close to you. Jesus, would you forgive us from our sins. Would you come live in our heart forever. Amen.

CELEBRATION | At TLC one of our values is Celebration. If you made this amazing decision to give your life to Jesus today, please stand up so we can CELEBRATE YOU! Let's Celebrate our friends who gave their life to Jesus today! WOOHOO!!

NOTE | List names of any child that received Jesus today on the Feedback Sheet

ASK | Encourage children to participate by answering the below questions:

- + What did Holy Spirit highlight to you in this story today?
- + How do you think you would react in this situation if you were there?
- + What is our memory verse?
- + What was our revelation?
- + What was our Bible Lesson about?

BENEDICTION PRAYER

"Teach us your ways that we may know you and find your favor." – Exodus 33:13

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. What was our memory verse?

(Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." John 14:6)

2. What was our revelation?

(Daily encounters strengthen my spirit)



3. What was our Bible Story about?

(Paul carried the power of God because of his daily encounters)

4. The Bible said that Paul's clothing even carried the power of God, give an example.

(His clothes and handkerchiefs)

5. Paul said that we should pray in the spirit how often?

(At all times.)

6. What happened to the Jews who tried to cast out the evil spirits?

(It spoke by saying it didn't know them)

TEACHER PROMPT | Fill in the blank with the number of salvations: _____

Your name and classroom name: _____

Feedback: _____

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Celebrations: _____
