



Week 1

Supplies You'll Need This Week:

- Episode 1, *Long Journey*
- Bible
- Pen/pencil
- *Optional:* Friends and Heroes music CD *What about Love?* (See Track 7, "Daniel".) www.friendsandheroes.com/music-cd



This Week's Bible Story: Daniel in the Lions' den (Student should watch entire Episode 1 this week.)

Bible reference: Daniel 6:1-24a

Memory Verse (*optional*): *For the angel of the Lord is a guard; he surrounds and defends all who fear him.* (Psalm 34:7 NLT)

Activity 1: Bible Study

Today, your student should watch all of Episode 1, read the story on the student pages aloud to you, and then answer the discussion questions.

Answers

1. *Diana was reminded that she can trust in the Lord and he will guard her.*
2. *He had a reputation for praying.*
3. *He gave thanks and did not fear.*
4. *No, he did not want to throw Daniel into the den of lions.*
5. *He had issued a written decree.*
6. *Daniel was innocent because he refused to serve the wrong master.*
7. *He was wrongly accused, trusted God in difficult circumstances, and was justified. (Your student will learn more about Joseph in Week 26 later this year. For now, if s/he wants to know more, go to www.friendsandheroes.tv/joseph.html or read about him in Genesis chapters 37 through 45.)*
8. *Answers will vary.*
9. *He did not accuse the king and he remained righteous in word and deed.*

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As you wrap up today's study, make sure your student understands these key points of the story:

- The story is set in Alexandria, Egypt. (Consider finding this on a globe or map.)
- Leah and Rebecca are refugees sent from Galilee by their father, Daniel.
- Leah and Rebecca arrive in a cargo ship.
- The Romans try to capture Leah and Rebecca.
- The girls are allowed to stay at Macky's house when Diana remembers to trust in God.
- We meet the character Tobias (his nickname is Toadie), the Governor's deputy, who is greedy and proud.

Your student can go to www.friendsandheroes.tv then click Meet the Characters to learn more about both the adventure characters (i.e., the fictional characters) and the Bible characters.

Optional: You and your student may enjoy track 7, "Daniel" this week from the What About Love? music CD from Friends and Heroes. You can find out more at www.friendsandheroes.com/music-cd.

Activity 2: Applying What We've Learned

Your student is learning about having courage and trusting God. Talk with your child about his/her fears. Pray with your child about those fears.

Extra, Extra! *(optional):*

Each week for the optional *Extra, Extra!*, we will feature an activity for your student to do, often from our award-winning website, www.friendsandheroes.tv.

This week, we recommend your student try the Episode 1 online wordsearch by going to www.friendsandheroes.tv, then clicking Games > Puzzles by Episode > Episode 1 > Wordsearch Puzzle (www.friendsandheroes.tv/games/wordsearch_long_journey.html). There's no need to print it; just click and drag to highlight the found words.

Feel free to let your student explore www.friendsandheroes.tv on his/her own as well, as there are many activities there that s/he will enjoy.





Week 2

Supplies You'll Need This Week:

- Episode 1, *Long Journey*
- Bible
- Crayons, markers, or colored pencils
- Pen/pencil

This Week's Bible Story: The Miraculous Catch of Fish

Bible reference: Luke 5:5-11

Memory Verse (optional): *Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.*
(Proverbs 3:5 NLT)

Activity 1: Bible Study

Your student should watch the clip of Jesus and the miraculous catch of fish (starts at approximately 16:22); or with your permission, student may re-watch the entire Episode 1. After watching the clip, s/he should read Luke 5:5-11 in the Bible and then answer the questions.

Answers

1. They are wearing rough tunics made from a sack-like material.
2. Not particularly.
3. No.

The point to grasp here is that the first Friends of Jesus were just average men, chosen by Jesus. This is a good opportunity for your student to understand that we can't make ourselves good enough to be Friends of Jesus; it's only by his grace.

Discuss with your student these two sentences found in this week's student guide:

"Remember, there is nothing you can do to make Jesus love you more. There is also nothing you can do to make Jesus love you less."

Activity 2: Applying What We've Learned

Today, discuss with your student how Jesus uses ordinary people to be his friends and helpers. Also talk about what it means to trust and obey him, knowing his plan for our lives is perfect. Pray with and for your student today to trust Jesus and submit to him.

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Extra, Extra! *(optional):*

Your student can try the online puzzle at www.friendsandheroes.tv, then click Games > Puzzles by episode > Series 1 Puzzles > Episode 1 > Spot the Difference 1 (www.friendsandheroes.tv/spot1.html) This is a timed “Spot the Difference” online activity. They are challenging—even grown-ups often need more than one attempt—but your student will like spotting the differences. Encourage them to keep trying!