

## THREE FRIENDS: JESUS, MARY, & MARTHA

(LUKE 10: 38-42)

### ① IN MY LIFE (SIT ON FLOOR IN CIRCLE)

TODAY WE ARE GOING TO TALK ABOUT FRIENDS  
FIRST I'M GOING TO TELL YOU A STORY ABOUT  
SOME BOYS AND GIRLS AT THEIR SCHOOL.

DO YOU LIKE RECESS TIME AT SCHOOL ?  
THIS STORY IS ABOUT RECESS TIME. EVERYONE  
SIT STILL AND QUIET (LIKE THIS) AND LISTEN  
TO THE STORY....

... GOD GIVES US FRIENDS. WE CAN THANK GOD  
FOR GIVING US OUR FRIENDS. (NAME A FRIEND)

LET'S PRAY RIGHT NOW AND THANK GOD FOR  
OUR FRIENDS (BOW HEAD TO PRAY)

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### ② BIBLE LESSON (OPEN BIBLE TO LUKE 10: 38-42)

DID YOU KNOW JESUS HAD SOME GOOD  
FRIENDS, TOO? THE BIBLE TELLS US ABOUT  
THREE VERY SPECIAL FRIENDS THAT JESUS HAD —  
THEIR NAMES WERE MARY, MARTHA, AND LAZARUS.  
MARY AND MARTHA WERE SISTERS, AND LAZARUS  
WAS THEIR BROTHER (JOHN 11:1, 21, 32)

JESUS WAS ALWAYS VERY BUSY TEACHING,

AND PREACHING AND HELPING PEOPLE, BUT SOME-  
TIMES JESUS CAME TO STAY AND VISIT WITH  
MARY, MARTHA, AND LAZARUS AT THEIR HOUSE.

MARY, MARTHA, AND LAZARUS LOVED JESUS  
VERY MUCH. IT WAS ALWAYS A HAPPY TIME  
WHEN JESUS CAME TO SEE THEM.

MARY AND MARTHA WOULD FIX SUPPER FOR  
JESUS WHEN HE CAME TO VISIT (LUKE 10:40,  
JOHN 12:2), THEN THEY WOULD SIT AND LISTEN  
TO JESUS TALK ABOUT GOD AND ABOUT HOW  
TO FOLLOW GOD. MARY, ESPECIALLY, LOVED TO  
LISTEN TO JESUS TEACH THEM ABOUT GOD.  
(LUKE 10:39)

THE BIBLE TELLS US THAT ONE TIME WHEN  
JESUS CAME TO VISIT, MARY JUST SAT ON THE  
FLOOR NEAR JESUS' FEET AND LISTENED TO  
JESUS TEACH. SHE SAT QUIETLY AND LISTENED  
TO EVERYTHING THAT JESUS SAID.

WHILE MARY SAT BY JESUS, LISTENING TO HIM  
TEACH, MARTHA WAS BUSY GETTING THE SUPPER.  
MARTHA ASKED JESUS, "DID YOU SEE THAT  
MARY IS NOT HELPING ME WITH THE FOOD?"

JESUS TOLD MARTHA, "DON'T WORRY SO MUCH  
ABOUT THE SUPPER, MARTHA. IT WILL BE  
ALRIGHT. MARY IS DOING A VERY GOOD AND  
IMPORTANT THING, SITTING HERE LISTENING TO  
ME TEACH. MARY IS LEARNING ABOUT ME  
AND ABOUT GOD. THAT IS IMPORTANT."

JESUS LOVED HIS FRIENDS MARY, MARTHA,  
AND LAZARUS VERY MUCH (JOHN 11:5). THEY  
LOVED HIM VERY MUCH, TOO.