



Week 1

Who is your favorite person to spend time with?

What's one thing you really like about your friends?

DO THIS (EXPERIENCE 1)

Ask your students to brainstorm characteristics they look for in a friend. Come up with as many as you can and write down each trait on a blank piece of paper or note card! Scatter the characteristics you just made on the floor. As a group, organize the cards from the most important characteristic to have in a friend to the least important. Let students debate their answers as they share; it's okay if everyone has different ideas! (make sure you save these for the next experience)

1. Which one of these characteristics is the easiest for *you* to be?
2. Which one of these characteristics is the most challenging for *you* to be?
3. What's one thing that can make being a good friend difficult sometimes?

What kind of friend was Jesus?

Why should we try to be the kind of friend we want to have?

How can we be more like Jesus in our friendships?

What's one way you can be a better friend this week?