

MEET GERALD DRIPPAN

Liz and Lucille try to be friends with Gerard the new kid in town. But Gerard seems to prefers the Iguana gang! Can Liz help Gerard before his new friends get him into trouble?

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: Choosing Friends

1. <u>Proverbs 13:20</u> says that wise friends make you wise. What does this mean? Can you think of a time when you learned something important from a friend?

2. In <u>Luke 15:11-24</u>, Jesus told a parable about a young man who decided he didn't want to stay at home with his parents. He asked his dad for all the money that he would inherit and he took off for a far away place. Instead of living responsibly and hanging around with wise people, he got involved with the wrong crowd. Before long, he had spent all his money. None of his new friends helped him out. He was left alone and had to take a job feeding pigs. He found out that the friends he chose were the wrong ones. They only cared about him as long as he could join in their fun. As you listen to this episode, think about how the wrong friends can get you in all sorts of wrong situations.

Memory Verse

²⁰ Wise friends make you wise, but you hurt yourself by going around with fools. **Proverbs 13:20**

After You Listen

In this episode, new kid Gerald has to decide if he wants to be friends with the trouble-making Iguanas, or with Liz and Lucille.

The apostle Paul warned us about hanging around with the wrong type of friends. There are some people who don't believe in God and have no interest in obeying him. They claim there is no reason to do good because nothing really matters anyway. Instead of being responsible, they say "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die."

Paul tells us not to be tricked. No matter how good we are or how good we want to be, if we hang out with the wrong people, we will do bad things. "Don't fool yourselves. Bad friends will destroy you." (<u>1 Corinthians</u> 15:33)

Want to dig deeper and learn about making the right sort of friends? Check out <u>Proverbs 12:26</u>, <u>Philippians</u> <u>3:17-19</u>, and <u>James 4:4</u>.

Challenge

Think about yourself and the friends that you hang out with. Are they a good influence on you to help you make wise choices? Make a list of friends who have helped you make a wise choice and send them a note or email thanking them for being good friends.

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: From what city did Gerald come?

Answer: Chimereeah.

Question 2: What's the name of the group of mean boys at school?

Answer: The Iguanas.

Question 3: What club does Gerald ask Liz about?

Answer: The Knights Chess Club.

Question 4: What do Wally and Skink want Gerald to do?

Answer: Egg Grandpa Anole's house.

Question 5: What do Wally and Skink use to get Gerald in trouble?

Answer: An airhorn.

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