

WHAT A FRIEND

Scooter is having a terrible time at school and decides he wants revenge. But before he gets a chance, what will Grandpa do to change Scooter's mind?

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: Jesus is a friend who will never let you down

- 1. <u>John 15:13-14</u> says that "The greatest way to show love for friends is to die for them." What is one way you have shown love to your friends?
- 2. In <u>John 8:1-11</u> the Pharisees brought a woman to Jesus. She was caught doing something wrong. They made her stand in front of Jesus and a big crowd. They told everyone about her sin. They said the law said she should be put to death for her crimes! So they asked Jesus if he agreed with the law or not. They asked what he thought they should do. Not only were these men bullying the woman, but they were also bullying Jesus! After a short time, Jesus told them that only someone who had never sinned should hurt her. One by one the people left. They knew that no one is perfect. Think about how bullying can affect a person's whole life as you listen to today's episode.

Memory Verse

¹³ The greatest way to show love for friends is to die for them. ¹⁴ And you are my friends, if you obey me.

John 15:13-14

After You Listen

In this episode, Scooter is bullied. He tries to talk to his friends and others around him, but they don't have the time to listen to him. Grandpa reminds him that Jesus is someone who will always listen and will understand. Jesus wants to listen to you, laugh with you, and help when you are worried. And Jesus understands bullying because he was bullied.

You also have adults around you that you can trust. Think of a trusted person God has put in your life. Maybe it is a parent, a teacher, or just someone you know. You should talk to them about any bullying that happens. Keeping bullying a secret will hurt you and help the person who did the harm. Talking about problems, and looking for ways to make things better can improve the relationships with all the people around you.

Want to dig deeper? Read about the bullying Jesus experienced and how he responded in <u>Matthew 4:1-11</u>, <u>Luke 4:14-30</u> and <u>Luke 14:1-14</u>.

Challenge

If you are being bullied, it is comforting to tell Jesus. But it is important to tell an adult too.

If you see someone being bullied, it is also important to know what to do. Download the Kids Corner ebook "Power Tools: Taking a Stand Against Bullying" You'll find it on our KC activities page:

https://kidscorner.reframemedia.com/activities

There are lots of strategies online for how to be a good "bystander." Look up some of them with your family and practice some of the strategies by role-playing different situations where you might see someone being bullied. Try different ways to help, and talk about ways you could tell an adult about bullying behavior.

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: How did Scooter's bad day start?

Answer: Skink took away the basketball shoes he had been assigned to pick up for Slick.

Question 2: Why were Liz and Lucille too busy to talk to him?

Answer: They were working on the set up for the big program at the basketball game.

Question 3: Who did Grandpa say wanted to be Scooter's best friend?

Answer: Jesus.

Question 4: What did Scooter do when Grandpa told him about Jesus?

Answer: He prayed and asked Jesus to be his friend.

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