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### **God Loves When We Have Fun with Friends**

**Read:** Luke 10:38-42

God created us to need and want friends, because life is MUCH better when we're close to people who we love, and who love us! The Bible is full of stories where people spend time with friends just to have fun, laugh, and play!

**Watch:** [Mary and Martha](#)

Both Mary and Martha loved Jesus and wanted to spend time with him. But Mary was so preoccupied with cleaning and making everything perfect, that she didn't bother to actually spend time with Jesus. And that's all he wanted! Sometimes we can get caught up in life, and we get busy, or we don't get to see our friends as much as we want to. But Jesus shows us that it is okay to make time for fun and play with your friends, because it's an important way to spend time together!

**Do:** Plan a time to play with a friend this week. Invite them over to your house, play at a park, or play your favorite game together.

**Memory Verse:** Ecclesiastes 3:4 "There is a time to cry. And there's a time to laugh. There is a time to be sad. And there's a time to dance!"

This verse tells us that there will be times for sadness, AND for happiness. There will be times for serious things, AND fun things. God didn't design us to go through life alone. He created us to live life being close to others. He created us to go through hard times with each other, AND to have lots of fun with each other.

**Pray:** God, thank you for my friends. Thank you that you have given me people in my life who can go through the happy/sad, easy/hard times of life with me. Please show me how to be a good friend this week. Amen!