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**BIBLE STORY:**

LUKE 5:1-7

Jesus catches a lot of fish after  
Peter couldn't catch any.

**SAY THIS:**

Who can do anything?  
Jesus can do anything.

**BASIC TRUTH:** Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

**DO THIS:**



**MORNING TIME**

When you go into your child's room this month say, "Good morning, [child's name]!" Pick

him up and hold him in your lap. Say, "Jesus is your friend and I am too! Are you ready for a great day together? I am!"



## DRIVE TIME

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As you drive along, point out people you see and ask your child, "Does Jesus want to be that person in the [color] [car/shirt/truck]'s friend forever?" Respond with, "Yes! Jesus wants to be everyone's friend forever!"



## CUDDLE TIME

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Cuddle up with your child this month and pray, "Dear God, thank You for [child's name]. He is so precious. Help me to trust that with You all things are possible. Help me to be the parent [child's name] needs. I love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."



## BATH TIME

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Add some toy fish (or other plastic floating objects) and a plastic cup to the tub. Encourage your child to go "fishing" by scooping up the fish in his cup. Talk about how Jesus helped His friends catch a lot of fish when they couldn't catch anything. Jesus can do things we can't.

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## DOES MY CHILD MEASURE UP? A Milestone-Comparison Trap

By Deborah Springer

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Google “developmental milestones,” and you may be surprised to see 1.5 million results. Are there that many milestones in the 18-year lifespan of a child from birth until they graduate from high school? No, definitely not.

1.5 million results tells us that common milestones happen at different times, on a different “schedule,” for every single child.

No need to panic if your baby does not automatically become a walking toddler by that first birthday celebration. Your three-year-old who refuses to potty-train will jump that hurdle before she leaves home for college. And, your five-year-old, who still can’t master zippers and buttons, will achieve those skills before his first date . . .

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