

"A friend loves at all times and a brother is born for a time of adversity."

PROVERBS 17:17

MINDFUL MOMENTS

- 1 Who is someone who was not there for you when you needed her and how did that affect your friendship?
- 2 Who is one of your closest friends and when was a time she was there for you?
- 3 This week, how can knowing God's unconditional love help you be there for someone?

QUIZ QUEST

CIRCLE WHICH ACTIONS SHOW UNCONDITIONAL LOVE:

A.

I will only be accepted into their friend group if I do what they want me to do.

B.

My friends respect my choices and include me, even if I'm nice to someone they're not friends with.

A.

My sister didn't let me borrow her shirt, but I'm going to respect her choice.

B.

My sister didn't let me borrow her shirt, so I'm ignoring her.

A.

My sibling asked for forgiveness and I will NOT forgive them!

B.

I forgave my sibling after they asked for forgiveness.

DEVOTION DIVE

Proverbs 17:17 is a beautiful reminder of what unconditional love is: "A friend loves at all times." A friend doesn't love some of the time, but all the time.

Do you have a friend who has been by your side through good days and hard days? Do you have a friend who hasn't been there for you? God tells us that a true friend will love us all the time.

The rest of the Scripture says that a brother is born for a time of adversity, or difficulty. A brother or sister is someone who you can rely on. This verse is saying that you and a friend can become like a sister to each other by being there for one another during difficult times.

God knew we needed friends here on earth to walk through life together. Friends who love at all times are gifts from the Lord.

FILL IN THE GAPS

"A _____ LOVES AT _____ TIMES AND A BROTHER IS BORN FOR A TIME OF ADVERSITY."

CREATIVE CORNER

DECODE THE PUZZLE!

