

JESUS liked to run and play

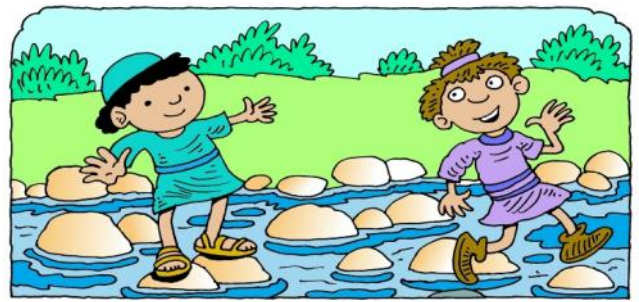
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A good friend always plays fair -
takes turns - never cheats - includes others - uses
kind words - Is encouraging is never a bully - isn't
bossy - doesn't sulk if they don't win.



Just like any child, Jesus would
have loved to run, play and have
fun with all his friends in the town
of Nazareth where he grew up.



He would have enjoyed happy
times swimming and splashing
around in the river, or sea,
with them on a hot day.



Other children would have loved
playing with Jesus because he
was never mean, or bossy. No one
got left out when Jesus was playing.



Jesus would have looked after
his little brothers and sisters
when his mother Mary was busy,
and taken good care of them.



Jesus loved to dance and sing.
He knew the psalms and songs
his ancestor King David wrote
that are written in the Bible.



But sometimes Jesus liked to
be by himself. He loved being
alone with the sheep. They knew
his voice and they followed Him.



Jesus often spent time alone
talking to his Heavenly Father.
God was always with Him.
God is always with me too.