

Week 23 Family Letter

Jesus Tells His Children to Come:

Jesus Blesses the Children

(Mark 10:13-16)

One day some grown-ups took their children to see Jesus. They walked a long way. Suddenly they saw Him. "There's Jesus!" they said. They were so excited to see Him.

The children wanted to get close to Jesus. But Jesus' helpers said, "Go away. Jesus is too busy." The children were so sad. They started to walk away.

But wait! Jesus said, "Don't go away. Come to Me. Let the children come." The children were so happy. They ran to Jesus. He put His arms around them and blessed them. Jesus loves children! Jesus loves you!

Bible Words

Let the children come to Me.

Mark 10:14

Dear Family,

Jesus has many friends. Ask your child to color the friends on the Bible picture who are special to Jesus. Say, "Jesus loves children. He loves you too. He is your special friend!" Read the following poem to your child as a reminder of this special friendship.

Christ Jesus taught a crowd one day.

They listened hard to what He'd say.

Important teachers came to hear

While all the people crowded near.

Then suddenly, they heard the noise

Of grown-ups with their girls and boys!

"We came," they said, "to see our Friend."

But Jesus' men cried, "That's the end!"

"He's much too busy. Go away!

Go! Try again some other day."

Then Jesus cried out, "Wait! Don't go!

I love the children too, you know.

"Please bring them here for Me to bless.

May God bring you His happiness."

Read the story on page 380 of *The Story Bible* together.

