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I hope your friendship with Jesus keeps growing as you get to know him better.



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### **Notes From Jesus**

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### Hi, friend!

You know my name, but I want you to *really* know me. Like I know you.

So let me tell you a few things about myself.

That's what you'll find in this book—stuff I'd like you to know about me. Because that's what friends do, right?

They meet and then they get to know each other better. They talk, laugh together, and pretty soon they're not just friends—they're best friends.

That's what I want for us. No matter how long we've been friends, we can always become better friends. I'd like that, and I think you'll like it, too.

So let's get started-right now.

Jegny

## I WANT YOU TO KNOW...



## >>> I love being with you.

You know how some mornings you wake up happy because you'll be with a special person that day?

Maybe a snuggle-close grandma is coming for a visit. Or you get to hang out with your best-ever buddy. Or maybe you and your mom are taking a bike ride together.

Well, that's how I feel when I'm with you. I'm always happy to see you. Always glad when we're together.

I like being with you. Did you know that? That I like being with you?

It's true, and I hope you feel the same way about me.

Let's have a great time together today...tomorrow...every day!

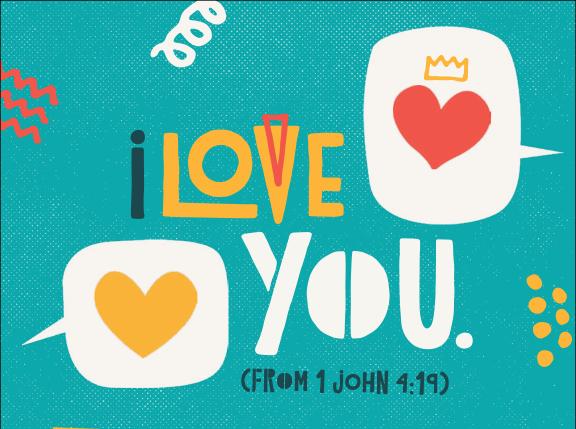




Here's how we can become even better friends...

We don't have to go anyplace special when we're together. Invite me to join you at school or when you're with your other friends. I want to be part of your everyday, all-the-time life. Let's do life together!







Here's how we can become even better friends... Let's tell each other why we love one another. I love you because of who you are, and I should know: I made you! Tell me why you love

me. It will help you get to know me better.



# I WANT YOU TO KNOW ...

### I like hearing you say you love me.

People talk to me-a lot.

Lots of times they pray, telling me what they want. That's okay—I like listening to my friends and giving good things to them.

But can I tell you something most people don't know?

As much as I like hearing what people need, there's something I like hearing even more. And I'll bet you like hearing it, too.

I like to hear, "Thank you."

I like to hear, "I'm glad you're my friend."

And most of all, I love to hear this: "I love you."

That's because I want to be in your heart, like you're in mine.

So in case you didn't know, I love you, too.

# Jesus is the stuff best friends are made of especially if you're a kid!

He's always up for hearing how the day went, listening to worries, and laughing at silly jokes. And he wants to share about himself, too, as best friends do.

Notes From Jesus contains his messages to new friends. Each playfully illustrated note includes:

- Answers to common faith questions kids ask, such as "What happens when I mess up?" and "Is it okay to pray with my eyes open?"
- An inspirational Bible verse for kids to tuck away into their hearts
- Doable, kid-sized ideas for how readers can become even better friends with Jesus

Perfect for kids ages 6+ who are just starting a relationship with Jesus or for young families joining the church!

Mikal Keefer is a grandfather who's authored more than 25 books for kids of all ages. His chief aim in life is snuggling his grandkids close so they can enjoy a good story together.

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