

SAVIOR, KING, AND FRIEND

Explore salvation with language that is intuitive, theological, and relational.

Use Savior, King, and Friend (SKF) language when you talk to kids about God's love and their relationship with Jesus. SKF is a simple way to talk about who Christ is, how He loves us, and who He is to us. SKF language can lead kids to a deeper understanding of God's love, salvation, and life as a Christian.

SKF BEGINS WITH GOD

Read this section for you. That's right, you. Because the best way to talk to kids about God's love is when you're swimming in it yourself. As we experience it, we can share it.



He loves you as **Savior**

God's love for you is enormous. His Son is proof. Jesus brings God's love straight to your door. Jesus loves you, forgives you, and renews you. He gives you new life right now, and eternal life after that.



He loves you as **King**

You are God's creation. His power surrounds you. His majestic design, perfect rule, and continual attention are all over His kingdom. His power provides, inspires, renews, and restores. He is worthy.



He loves you as **Friend**

God knows you personally. He listens. He grieves. He speaks. He comforts. He walks with you through fields and valleys. His love isn't over there. It's right here, right now. Right where He wants to be.

SKF CONTINUES WITH US

Here's the thing about the love of Jesus. It overflows. Once we truly embrace it, we want to respond. And, we can. We respond to God's love with our own love.

- We love Jesus as our Savior, the only one who saves us from sin.
- We love Jesus as King, giving Him our worship and following His authority.
- We love Jesus as our Friend. We spend time together, and start loving what He loves.

USING SKF LANGUAGE

SKF language is simple enough for kids to begin to understand. But it doesn't sacrifice theology for simplicity. It provides many ways to go deeper in conversation with kids as they want to go deeper in their own Christian faith. As they explore the depth and implications of each word, they'll discover new truths about who we are as Christians. It's a language that goes beyond the moment of salvation, extending into our entire Christian relationship with Jesus.

Here's a few super basic examples of using SKF language:

How do I become a Christian?

Respond to God's love for you, by loving Him back. Make Jesus your Savior, King, and Friend.

What's it mean to be a Christian?

It means a person loves and believes in Jesus as their Savior, King, and Friend. That's what a relationship with Jesus looks like.

How can I know if I'm a Christian?

If you love Jesus as your Savior, your King, and your Friend, then you are definitely a Christian.

How can I become a stronger Christian?

Start by thinking about Jesus as your Savior, King, and Friend. Think about how He loves you in each of those ways. How is Jesus a Savior for you? A King? A Friend? Are you overlooking one of those in your life? Invite God to strengthen your awareness of Him in your life.