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A Spiritual Lesson in Toon Language:  
Lessons 6a

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Series: Tiny Toon Adventures,

Episode: Rent-A-Friend

Topic: Love and Friendship Part 1—What  
Love And Friendship Isn't

Introduction:

**Fun Fact: This lesson set is the first original multipart lesson.**

I use the Tiny Toon Adventures episode **Rent A Friend**. This covers some of the scriptures on Judas Iscariot. We are comparing the cartoon villain who is Montana Max to Judas. We are discussing the similarities of their stories' end (cartoon to Bible)

**Scriptures Used Include: Mathew 26: 14-16, 47-68; 27: 1-10**

I: Opening Prayer

II: Opening Discussion: Think of your best

friend in the whole wide world. How did

you meet this friend? Was this friendship

forged on lies, anger, or plain being mean?

Or, was this friendship built on same

interests and hobbies, liking each other's

company, and being able to be oneself? Pay

special attention to this cartoon because we

will refer to it in the future sections of this

series.

### III: Cartoon: Rent-A-Friend

Cartoon Link:

[http://toonspirit.net/lessons\\_and\\_studies/16/6](http://toonspirit.net/lessons_and_studies/16/6)

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IV: Discussion Of Cartoon: Was Montana

a friend? What did he do to his ‘friends’?

What did he do to try to keep these friends?

Do you think that he would change his mind

about being mean?

V: Bible Study I: Read Mathew 26: 14-16,

47-68 (The Story of Judas Iscariot)

## VI: Discussion Of Bible Story Linked To

The Cartoon: Was Judas and the soldiers he

brought being friends of Jesus? In our

cartoon, Montana had to rent his friends.

Can you see why? This should be a clue

that there is something wrong here.

Eventually even his money couldn't stop

Montana from being lonely. Without a

friend to talk to, all of us would be

downright lonely. Money does not buy

friendship. Some people may think it does.

Nothing can buy true friendship.

Judas agreed to betray Jesus for 30 pieces

of silver. Do you think Judas had many

friends after his greed caused him to sell

Jesus out to the soldiers? Now, do you think

that being mean makes or keeps many

friends? I bet Judas was real lonely at this

time. Unfortunately Judas' story ends badly.

VII: Bible Study II: Read Matthew 27: 1-

10 with the students.

## VIII: Discussion Of This Passage Linked

To Cartoon: Judas hanged himself out of

remorse. He perhaps felt like he did

something unforgivable. He probably

thought the other disciples would never

forgive him, nor maybe even God. Do you

see the correlation between Montana and

Judas? Montana because he was mean

became lonely, hurt, and friendless. Judas,

because of his betrayal, very well perhaps

lost all of his friends as well (except our

Lord Jesus Christ) because of the lack of

fellowship it perhaps or even likely caused  
(Based on general scriptures in the four  
Gospels of the New Testament, Jesus'  
disciples usually weren't very good at  
receiving and putting into practice Jesus'  
teachings because of discipline or faith  
issues until they were more seasoned  
disciples). Judas might not have even been  
able to "Rent-A-Friend" if unforgiving  
people knew what he had done.

IX: Discussion: What have you learned  
from our story? Have you been mean or

nasty to someone? What was the person's  
reaction when you did it?

Next time, we are going to look more into  
what friendship is, not what it isn't.

**X: Closing Prayer:**