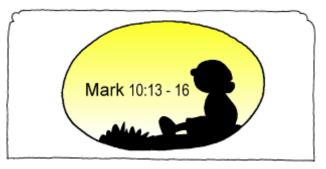
JESUS loves children

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Jesus loved children.
They felt safe with him.
You are never alone,
Jesus loves you.



Mothers were always bringing their little children and babies to Jesus to hold and bless.



Jesus loved to see them and the children felt safe with Jesus.
Jesus was kind and gentle.



But Jesus helpers thought that Jesus was too busy to be holding babies. They tried to send the mothers away.



Jesus said to his helpers, "Let the children come to me. Don't send them away. They are precious to God."



Truly, anyone who doesn't love God just like these children do won't get to heaven," Jesus said.



Then Jesus held the little children in his arms and prayed for them.



And all over the world little children, like me, still love Jesus and want to stay close to him.