

Day 3: Unshakable: A Firm Foundation

Patrick and Will are playing Jenga (perhaps with an oversized Jenga set) **Melody** comes up to them as they play.

Melody: Hi guys! What are you doing?

Patrick and Will: Playing Jenga. Do you want to play?

Melody: I don't know. I am afraid I will mess it up.

Will: How could you mess it up?

Patrick: Yeah, it's just blocks.

Melody: And they fall down! I pull one out and then CRASH! They all fall down.

Will: Ah, that's part of the fun, silly.

Patrick: In Jenga, you don't have to be unshakable.

Melody: That's good, because I am kind of shaky sometimes.

Will: Let us show you how you can be unshakable.

Melody: Okay, what do I do?

Patrick: Well, first you need to have a steady hand. Move in slowly.

Will: And then, find a block that looks like you could pull it out. Maybe it's kind of loose.

Patrick: Get a hold on it...and gently...gently pull it out.

Melody: OK, I can do this. **(Tries it)** Oh...OH.... I did it!

Patrick: Yeah! You did it! Now gently place it on top.

Melody: What? Put it on top? The whole tower might fall!

Will: If it does, it's ok. Try it.

Melody: Ok, here goes. **(She places it on top.)**

Will: See, you did it. **(Encourages with an arm around her.)** Great job.

Melody: It all depends on the foundation, doesn't it?

Patrick: Right. It's like the story Jesus told today in our lesson. The wise man builds his house on a rock. A firm foundation. That way, when storms come, the house will stand strong.

Melody: Like moving for me. That's a storm in my life. But when I rely on Jesus, I can be UNSHAKABLE!

Will: Right. We can make our foundation strong by putting His words into practice, like talking to God in prayer. We can read God's Word in the Bible. We can be with other Christians at church, friendship class and the Summer Friendship Gathering.

Patrick: We can also be shine for Jesus, being a light to people around us. We can lend them a helping hand or tell them Jesus loves them.

Melody: And when we put Jesus words into practice, we are making our foundation even stronger. Your turn, Patrick.

Patrick: **(Tries to pull a block as Melody and Will look on, intense)**

Melody: Easy does it....Slowly, steady. **(Patrick makes the tower collapse with a clumsy move.)**

Will: Splat! That's like the house the foolish man built. He built his house on sand.

Patrick: **(laughing)** Yeah, that's like building your life on things that don't matter.

Will: Like getting too much stuff, or on being rich.

Patrick: Or likes on social media or wanting to be popular.

Melody: Or worried about how we look.

Will: Those things don't matter. What matters is Jesus and His love for us.

Melody: I'm glad we have a firm foundation in Jesus. We don't have to fear spiders, the dark, storms, moving...anything. We can be UNSHAKABLE!
Let's play again.

All: (As they gather the blocks, they sing "The Wise man Built his House upon the Rock)

Song:

The wise man built his house upon the rock. The wise man built his house upon the rock. The wise man built his house upon the rock and the rains came tumbling down.

The rains came down and the floods came up. The rains came down and the floods came up. The rains came down and the floods came up and the house on the Rock stood firm.

The foolish man built his house upon the sand. The foolish man built his house upon the sand. The foolish man built his house upon the sand and the rains came tumbling down.

The rains came down and the floods came up. The rains came down and the floods came up. The rains came down and the floods came up and the house on the sand went splat.