God's Forgiveness and Love

Family Video Summary

VIDEO 1

What is Forgiveness? — What Is Forgiveness — Crossroads Kids' Club

https://youtu.be/5E3nsg2ANqI?si=zN_gjfAnxrUs1CuU

Have you ever felt hurt when someone was mean to you? Or maybe you made a mistake and wanted someone to forgive you? In this episode, Jesus teaches children what true forgiveness means and how it sets us free!

In this episode, kids will learn:

1. Forgiveness means letting go of anger and resentment toward someone who has hurt them.
2. God forgives us when we make wrong choices and wants us to have a close relationship with Him.
3. Jesus showed God's love and forgiveness by giving His life for us.
4. Because God forgives us, we are called to forgive others.
5. Every person is important to God, so we should choose love, mercy, and kindness instead of holding grudges.

VIDEO 2

Jesus Teaches Forgiveness — Jesus Teaches Forgiveness — Children of Purpose

https://youtu.be/S_bcAX6Qxbs?si=N6WJY9vAQfwu_gss

In today's Bible story, we learn how Jesus teaches us to forgive. Forgiveness can be hard, but Jesus shows us why it's so important to let go of anger, show kindness, and love others – just like He loves us.

Kids will learn:

1. What forgiveness means
2. Why Jesus wants us to forgive
3. How forgiving makes our hearts happy

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." - Ephesians 4:32

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Family Engagement Activity



Talk Together (5 minutes)

Ask your child:
- What does it mean to forgive someone?
- Why does Jesus ask us to forgive others?
- How does it feel when someone forgives you?



Create Together (10 minutes)

Make a "Forgiveness Heart" together! Cut out a large heart from paper. On one side, write things that hurt us. On the other side, write "I forgive you" and decorate it with crosses and flowers. Talk about how forgiveness heals our hearts like Jesus heals us.



Act It Out (10 minutes)

Take turns acting out the story of the unforgiving servant (Matthew 18). Talk about how the king forgave a huge debt, but the servant wouldn't forgive a small one. How does Jesus want us to act?



Pray Together

"Dear God, thank you for always forgiving us. Help us to forgive others the way You forgive us. Fill our hearts with Your love and peace. Amen."

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God's Forgiveness & Love Family Worksheet

Complete Together & Turn In

God always loves us and is ready to forgive us when we are sorry.
His mercy never runs out!

Family Conversation – Write answers on back.

- What does forgiveness mean?
- Why does God always forgive us?
- How does it feel when someone forgives you?
- How can we show forgiveness to others?
- What does God's love look like in our lives?



Forgiveness or Unforgiveness Sorting Activity

Put ✓ next to the ones that show forgiveness.

- ☐ Bringing up old mistakes
- ☐ Praying for someone who hurt you
- ☐ Giving someone a second chance
- ☐ Holding a grudge

Cross out the ones that do not.

- ☐ Saying sorry when you are wrong
- ☐ Refusing to talk to someone
- ☐ Getting revenge
- ☐ Saying "I forgive you"

Reflection Activity

"One way I can show forgiveness this week..."

Family Prayer Prompt

"Dear God, thank You for Your endless love and mercy. Help us to forgive others as You forgive us. Fill our hearts with Your peace and help our family share Your love with everyone. Amen."

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Please return to the Faith Formation Office.