



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation
Unit 5, Lesson 24

A Letter About Forgiveness of Sins

Lesson Aim: To know we all have done wrong and if we admit our wrongdoing to Jesus, He always forgives us.

THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "God forgave you."

THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO GUIDES US

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the Holy Spirit who guides us in making right choices. It is right to come to Praise Time. It is right to sing and pray and give our offering to God. Sing: "Guide Me" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

God loves us all the time no matter what we do. That may seem impossible, but with God all things are possible. Sing: "With God All Things Are Possible."

God sees us when we choose to do right and when we choose to do wrong in His eyes. Doing wrong in God's eyes is called sin. Even though we try to always do what is right, we all sin sometimes.

John tells us that if we admit our wrongdoing to God, He will forgive us. That reminds me of today's Bible Memory Verse. Let's try it together. Review: "God forgave you." Include sign language. **God loves us so much that He always forgives us when we admit our wrongdoing. God is so good to us!** Sing: "How Great Is Our God."

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

It is very important to remember Jesus loves you no matter what choices you make. Let's thank Him for that as we sing this last song. Sing: "Jesus Loves Me."

THE WORD JOHN'S LETTER SAYS, "GOD FORGIVES US" CLASSROOM PROMISE

In the Bible, there are special letters which were written by believers to people like you and me. Last time, we learned of a letter about doing good to all people. In today's letter, we will learn about doing wrong in God's eyes—that is called sin.

SPECIAL DELIVERY: 1 JOHN 1:8-9

Let's open the Special Delivery Mailbag to find this week's letter. Child opens mailbag, removes the Bible, and hands it to you. Read the letter.

Dear brothers and sisters in the family of God,

Imagine if we say we have never sinned. If we say we do not sin, then we are fooling ourselves. But if we admit we have sinned, Jesus will forgive us. Jesus will forgive every wrong thing we have done.

Love, John

When we choose to do wrong in God's eyes, that is called sin. What will Jesus do if we admit our sins? (He will forgive us.) Let's review our answer in today's letter from the Bible. Read.

If you have admitted your wrongdoings to God, what did God do? (God forgave you.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "God forgave you." Include sign language or hand motions.

ERASING SIN: Child removes eraser, pencil, and paper from mailbag. **Today, this eraser will be our symbol for how God forgives us.** Ask a child to draw a line on the paper. **When we admit our wrongdoings to God, He forgives us. The word for wrongdoings or doing wrong in God's eyes is sin. When God forgives our sins, it's as if He erases them.** Ask a child to erase the line. **He never remembers them again!**

THE WAY GOD FORGIVES US

CRAFT: Forgiveness Door Hanger

GAMES: Right or Wrong?, Making Right Choices

SNACK: Squishy Sin Snack

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

GAMES: Letter Games, Collect the Letters

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Circle Verse, Bible Memory Verse Hop
STORY TIME