



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis—Joshua
Unit 7, Lesson 36

Jacob and Esau

Lesson Aim: To know we can forgive each other.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: Jacob and Esau
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: Sad Face, Happy Face
- DRAMATIC PLAY CENTER: Family Meals
- ACTIVITY CENTER: Families Share

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO KEEPS HIS PROMISES

The Bible tells about two brothers, Jacob and Esau. Jacob took something from Esau, but when Jacob asked Esau to forgive him, he did! God wants us to love and forgive each other just as He forgives us when we do wrong things. Let's pray. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear God, thank You for forgiving the wrong things we do. Help us to love and forgive others. Amen.

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

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

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE: Practice Bible Memory Verse with the motions. "I will watch over you wherever you go." Genesis 28:15

THE WORD ESAU FORGIVES JACOB CLASSROOM PROMISE

Today, I brought a beach ball to share with you, but there's a problem. I let my friend borrow it and the ball got a hole in it. Now, it won't hold air. At first, I was angry, but my friend was sorry and she asked me to forgive her. What do you think God would want me to do? (Forgive her.) That's exactly what I did. I forgave her and we gave each other a great, big hug! God is

happy when we forgive people. That reminds me of today's story. It's a story about forgiveness between two brothers named Jacob and Esau. Let's listen. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Genesis 33:4.

WATCH THE WORD: GENESIS 27:30-35; 32:5; 33:4-11

Read poem. Display visual.

- Jacob tricked his father Isaac.
- This made his brother Esau mad.
- So Jacob ran away from Esau
- And hurried across the land.
- Then Jacob sent a message to Esau.
- Esau showed that he forgave.
- He ran to give Jacob a kiss and a hug;
- They became friends that day.
- When Jacob saw Esau's face
- And how he was forgiven,
- He said it was like seeing the face
- Of the Lord God in heaven.

What did Esau do when he saw Jacob coming toward him? (He ran to meet him. He gave him a hug.) Esau forgave Jacob. What does God want us to do? (Forgive everyone.)

THE WAY FORGIVE EVERYONE

CRAFT: Esau Finger Puppet

GAMES: Say & Do, "Forgive Everyone" Freeze Dance

SNACK: Hearts of Forgiveness

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Genesis 27:30-35; 32:5; 33:4-11

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Stand Up and Say It!, Wherever You Go

STORY TIME