

At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3 Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts-Revelation Unit 5, Lesson 25

A Letter About Forgiving Others

Lesson Aim: To know we are to forgive others.

THE WELCOME

CENTERS

COLORING CENTER: Forgiving Others
PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: Forgiveness
PUPPET CENTER: Forgiving Puppets

LETTER GAMES

THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO GUIDES US

When someone is unkind to us, we can show love by letting go and forgiving that person for what he or she did. Forgiving others is not always easy, but we know with God all things are possible. Let's pray and ask Him to help us forgive. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear God, thank You for forgiving us when we do wrong things. Help us to forgive others just as You have forgiven us. 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. "With God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26b

<u>THE WORD</u> PAUL'S LETTER ABOUT FORGIVING EACH OTHER CLASSROOM PROMISE

Choose two children (preferably friends) to stand next to you. Give the pillow to one of them. I want you to hold this pillow and squeeze it as tight as you can. Don't let go. Now, I want you to give name of the other child a hug without letting go of the pillow. You can't give him/her a hug, can you? The pillow is in the way. This time,

let go of the pillow and give <u>name of the other child</u> a hug. Children hug. The pillow got between you and your friend, didn't it?

Sometimes when someone is unkind to us, we might hold onto our sad or angry feelings just like <u>name of first child</u> held onto the pillow. Hold the pillow in front of you. If you let go of your sad or angry feelings, and forgive the person, you show them love. Drop the pillow. God wants us to forgive others, just as He forgives us when we do wrong.

Today, we will read a letter Paul wrote about forgiving each other. Who would like to open the Special Delivery Mailbox for this week's letter? Child opens mailbox and gives Bible to you. We can find it in Ephesians 4:32.

WATCH THE WORD: Ephesians 4:32

Read the letter. Display visual.

Dear brothers and sisters in the family of God, Be kind to one another. Forgive each other, just as God forgave you. Love, Paul

Who forgave us? (God.) Who should we forgive? (Each other.)

THE WAY GOD FORGIVES US

CRAFT: Forgiveness Cross

GAMES: Forgive Each Other, Happy Hugs

SNACK: Smiling Faces Snack

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

LETTER GAMES

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Circle Verse, Bible Memory

Verse Hop STORY TIME