

PARENT GUIDE

PROPEL KIDS
1ST-5TH GRADE - MARCH 17

MEMORY VERSE

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone.

Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

(Colossians 3:13, NIV)

KEY QUESTION & BOTTOM LINE

WHAT COULD YOU MISS OUT ON BY NOT WAITING?

IF YOU DON'T WAIT, IT COULD COST YOU!

LIFE APP

Forgiveness - Deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay

TEACHING VIDEO LINK

You and your little ones can also watch Propels' online worship experience. This activity page goes along with the service. It is available on our website www.clintoncommunitychurch.org.

ACTIVITY: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

WHAT YOU NEED: NO SUPPLIES NEEDED

WHAT YOU DO:

When is it hard to forgive someone?

What can keep us from forgiving someone?

What are things people do when they hold a grudge?

What have you learned that can help you to take the first step to forgive?

How can knowing we are all created in God's image help you to forgive others?

When is it hard to forgive someone?
Is it easier to forgive someone you like or someone who annoys you?

How do your feelings affect how easy it is to forgive someone?

Is it easy to forgive someone when you are angry?
What about if you have already forgiven them and they keep doing the same thing?



ACTIVITY: MEMORY VERSE STEPPIN'

WHAT YOU NEED: PAPER, SCISSORS, BIBLES, MARKERS

WHAT YOU DO:

Look up and review Colossians 3:13 together. Cut four pieces of paper in half to create eight cards.

Pass out the cards and have your child write out three words of the verse on each card. (The last card won't necessarily have three words, depending on the Bible translation you use.)

When finished, collect the cards and spread them out on the floor in verse order. Make sure the cards are far enough apart so your child must take BIG steps to get from one set of words to the next.

Line up your child at one end of the verse cards. Let them step from one card to the next as they say the words of the verse aloud.

Our verse reminds us to forgive when we're holding something against someone. Why is it better to forgive than to stay mad or try to prove that we're right? (Pause for responses.)

When we take steps toward forgiveness, we have a better chance of fixing what's broken. In fact, it's so important that Jesus says we should try to fix the relationship even before we worship Him. When you're tempted to stay mad, ask God to help you choose to forgive instead. He will always help us take the first step to forgive others.

PRAYER

Dear God, thank You for loving us and for always choosing to forgive us, even when we don't deserve it. When we're tempted to stay mad or refuse to forgive, help us to make the wise choice and choose to fix the relationship instead of just being right or making a point. We want to be a good friend and to love others the way You love us. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.