

Forgiveness

Say: Put your hand up if someone has ever been mean to you or hurt you or hurt something that belongs to you.

Ask: How does that make you feel? (Upset, angry etc)

Ask: How do you feel like treating them? (The same way?)

Bible Story

Say: No one is perfect, we all make mistakes, but God is good and He will keep forgiving us if we forgive others. That's not always easy and we will have to ask Jesus to help us to forgive.

Sing Songs

Return to tables

Memory Verse: Fill in the blanks and then say the memory verse on the colouring page.

Craft: Forgiveness Poem

- Decorate the poem
- Cut out the heart shape
- Use a paper fastener to attach the wheel behind the poem
- As you read the poem, turn the wheel to illustrate

Discuss the following depending on age, interest and time:

How do you feel when someone has wronged you?

How do you feel when you know something that you have done has upset someone else?

Do you ever make the same mistake over and over again?

Are there things that you do that upset your family or friends?

Are there things that your family or friends do that you don't like?

How do you feel when you know someone has forgiven you?

How do you feel when you are upset with someone?

Have you ever forgiven someone and all of a sudden you feel so much happier?

Ask: How do you feel when you know you've done something wrong?

Ask: How do you feel when you know you have been forgiven?

Ask: Have you ever felt like our craft poem says?

Ask: Have you ever felt that really good feeling that you get once you decide to forgive?

Finish with prayer at each table: Ask God to forgive our sins and help us to forgive others so we can have His love in our hearts.