

Hi Parents!

Although we are not gathering at our church building this Sunday, PCC Kids can still go on! We wanted to make sure to provide you with an opportunity to do this Sunday's lesson at home. Have fun with it! We love you and are praying for your family today!

*Love,
The PCC Kids Team*

Jesus Teaches on Forgiveness

Bible Story: Please Forgive Me (The Story of the Lost Son) • *Luke 15:11-24*

Memory Verse: Put up with one another. Forgive one another if you are holding something against someone. Forgive, just as the Lord forgave you. Colossians 3:13 (NirV)

WORSHIP TIME - Below are a few worship songs to choose from. Be sure you are also singing, dancing, and having fun with your kids too! This will be a special time!

[PCC Kids Worship](#)

STORY VIDEO TIME / BIBLE LESSON TIME

What You Say:

“Today we’ve got a story about siblings—two brothers, to be exact. It’s a parable that Jesus told as a way to help people understand something important. Forgiveness - Forgiveness is deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn’t have to pay.

Forgiveness isn’t always easy. But God thinks it’s really important—not just for the person we forgive, but for us, too. And remember, forgiveness may be hard, but we don’t have to do it alone. God can help us forgive!”

Show the [Bible Story Video Here](#).

ACTIVITY TIME - Pick & choose activities that work best for your kids

Story Board

Made to Create: an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing

What You Need: Construction paper, crayons, large piece of butcher paper (optional), tape

What You Do:

- **If more, than 1 child have then team up. If only 1 child you’ll be your child’s pair.**
- Give each pair a piece of construction paper.
- Assign each pair a part of the story to draw:
 1. The father gave the son all of his inheritance.
 2. The son left home and spent all his money.

3. The son ended up eating with pigs.
 4. The son decided to go back home. The father saw his son coming home and ran toward him to give him a hug.
 5. The son asked for forgiveness.
- Give kids time to draw their part. Remind them of what happened if needed.
 - While kids are drawing, tape the butcher paper on the wall or create space to lay it on the floor (optional)
 - Once all of their drawings are finished, call on the group that drew part one.
 - Tell kids to explain their part of their story. You might need to prompt them by asking questions about details from the story and/or things you see in their drawing.
 - Give kids a piece of tape so they can put their drawing on the butcher paper (optional).
 - Continue with each pair, as they tape their pictures in order on the butcher paper (optional).

What You Say:

“Great job working together and putting all of our story pieces together. The son in our story made some bad decisions, but he still came back to his father to ask for forgiveness. What did the father do when he came back? (*He threw a party!*) The story today reminds us that even when we make really big mistakes, **everyone needs to be forgiven.**”

[Make It Personal] (Tell about a child-appropriate time when you made the decision to forgive someone even when it was hard. Tell how that grew your relationship with God.)

Memory Verse Toss

Made to Move: an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body

What You Need: Beach ball or a ball with part of the memory verse written on it, Bibles

What You Do:

- Help kids look up Colossians 3:13 in their Bibles.
- Say the verse together.
- Then say just the last sentence of the verse together several times.
- Show kids that the sentence they just said is written on the beach ball.
 - Option: if you don't want to write on the ball you can write the words on masking tape and then place it on the ball.
- Play a game with the ball:
 - Toss the ball to one kid, who catches it with both hands.
 - He looks at the word his right thumb is touching (or the word closest to it) and says it aloud. (Assist as needed.)
 - The whole group then says the entire sentence together. When they come to the word the kid said, they shout it and jump as high as they can.
 - If the ball drops, everyone says **Everyone needs to be forgiven.**

What You Say:

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Discussion Questions

Made to Connect: an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:**Ask:**

- What is one way you respond when you've done something wrong?

- When has someone forgiven you? **Encourage** kids to share examples and talk about how it felt to be forgiven.
- What about when you've forgiven someone else? How do you think they felt?

Just for Fun

Made to Move: an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body

What You Need: Markers, paper, tape, "Draw a Pig Directions" Activity Page, pipe cleaners, bandana or eye mask

What You Do:

- **Tape** a large piece of paper on the wall.
 - Using a pink marker and the "Draw a Pig Directions," **draw** a large pig on the paper. Be sure to omit the pig's tail. As you draw, **encourage** kids to guess what you are drawing.
 - **Play** a game of "Pin the Tail on the Pig." To **play**:
 - **Gather** kids to stand about 10 feet from the pig.
 - **Give** kids a pipe cleaner with tape on the end.
 - **Blindfold** kids one at a time, **spin** them around 2-3 times, and **let** them try to tape their tails on the pig in the right location.
 - The kid who tapes the tail closest to the correct spot on the pig wins.
 - While waiting for their turn, kids can bend their pigtails to give them different shapes, e.g. curly.
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PRAYER TIME

Made to Reflect: an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application

What You Do:

- Gather on the floor.
- Roll the ball to your kid(s) and have the kid(s) repeat: **Everyone needs to be forgiven.**
- Close with the prayer below.

"Dear God,

*You are so amazing and wonderful. We thank You for forgiving us when we sin against You. Help us to also forgive others when they sin against us because **everyone needs to be forgiven.** We love You so much, and we pray these things in Jesus' name.*

Amen"