



Children's Church – 13th September Matthew 18: 21-35



Forgive as you are forgiven



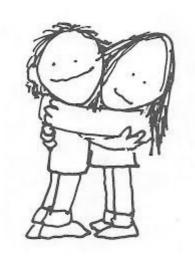
Video:

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ED3fzkS-bhA

Can you think of a time when you have forgiven someone when they have upset you or hurt your feelings?

Can you think of a time when you have upset someone else and they have forgiven you?



How did you feel when you forgave someone?

And how did it feel when you were forgiven?

God wants us to forgive others in the same way that he forgives us when we do something that he would not want us to do.

It's not always easy to forgive someone, and it's not always easy to say sorry, either! But think about how it feels when you do this. It will feel better, even when it has been tricky to do!

Song: Forgive One Another by We Are United https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kZ_wCZ1gPN4







Activity: Forgiving Fingers



First draw around your hands – both of them! – on a piece of card. Then cut them out and stick them on a sheet of paper so that the forefingers and thumbs touch – what shape has that created? When we reach out to forgive someone or to say sorry for something we are being loving!

There is a poem you could copy underneath to help you when you are feeling cross with someone, so it is easier to forgive them. Here it is:

One, two, three, four, five I'm waiting till my anger dies Six, seven, eight, nine, ten If I'm still cross I'll count again!

Prayer:



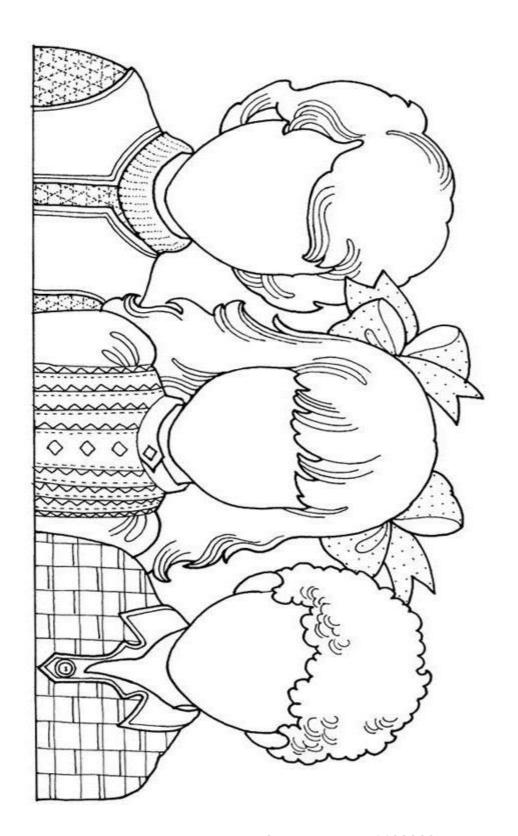
Dear Lord

It is so amazing that you always forgive me when I say sorry. Please help me to forgive other people, and also to say sorry and really mean it. Thank you for always showing me the way!

Amen



Can you add some smiley faces to these children?



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