



Good morning parents!

We hope that you and your family had a great week. Today we are continuing to answer the question, 'Who is God?'. As we explore the story of Peter denying Jesus after Jesus' arrest your kids will be reminded that God is forgiving.

We hope that this lesson leads to some great discussions with your kids about what it means to forgive others and to be forgiven. We encourage you to take time to talk about how our forgiveness of others should look more like God's forgiveness to us. We also encourage you to help your children incorporate asking God's forgiveness in their regular prayer time. Remind them that we follow a loving God who wants to give us a fresh start and help us become more like him.

We find it a great joy to serve your family and to walk alongside you. We are here if you are in need of prayer or support. Or if you know of another family in need of support, please let us know how we can be of help. Don't hesitate to reach out!

Kids Branch

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Kids Branch @ Home Video Option – https://youtu.be/EJ5_g7HBJ7A

- This includes worship and Bible lesson

Kids Branch @ Home Parent Led Option

Worship Suggestions

During worship encourage your kids to sing, follow along with the actions, have a dance party or just listen and think about what the words say who Jesus is and who we are to him. All of these are ways that we can express our joy and love for God.

- Play "You Forgive Me" – <https://youtu.be/LO-2fm7IKcU>
- Play "God Forgives" - <https://youtu.be/XZw6qQby24A>

Bible Story Suggestions – Peter Denies Jesus, and Jesus Forgives Him (Luke 22:54-62; John 21:15-17)

Parent Recap: As Jesus is on trial and beaten, people recognize Peter as one of Jesus' followers, but he denies it three times. Peter feels horrible. Later, when Jesus has died and come back to life, he gives Peter three chances to say he loves him, a sign of forgiveness and a second chance.

Preschool/Kindergarten Activities

- Use this [object lesson/activity](#) to help your younger children learn that when God forgives us we get a new start.
- [Dig Deeper](#) with your younger children and help them learn that Jesus helps put our friendship with God back together when we make wrong choices.

Elementary Activities

- [Dig Deeper](#) with your elementary aged kids and explore the answer to the question, 'Im Not That Bad; Why Do I Need Forgiveness?'.

Throughout the Week

- After a meal that generates a lot of dishes, do them all as a family! Even if that's normally one person's chore, work together so everyone plays a role in doing the dishes.
- As you do, talk about what it takes to get the dishes clean. Compare the ones you can just rinse off and the ones you really have to scrub.
- Talk about how God's forgiveness is like cleaning the dishes, and when you've needed a rinse versus a scrub.

Pray Together

Lead your children in asking God's forgiveness and ask him to make their hearts more like his. Thank God for his great love and that he forgives us and helps us to become more like him each time we ask.

Memorize Scripture

"God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him" (1 John 4:9).