



LESSON PLAN

SERIES: FORGIVENESS

THE POINT: SECOND CHANCES

BIBLE STORY: JESUS FORGIVES PETER

AGE: GRADE 3 - GRADE 6

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will learn the story of Jesus forgiving Peter
- Students will also see the importance of forgiveness in our lives too

AVAILABLE MATERIALS

- Link Show video
- Craft / activity
- Discussion questions

MEMORY VERSE

Colossians 3:13 - Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

BIBLE CONTEXT

The story of Peter denying Jesus three times and later being asked three times by Jesus if he loved Him is found in John 18:15-27 and John 21:15-19. Despite Peter's denial of Jesus during His trial, Jesus showed forgiveness and restoration by reinstating Peter and commissioning him to be a founding part of the early church.



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1. When Peter denied Jesus three times, he made a mistake. Can you think of a time when you made a mistake or hurt someone's feelings?
2. Even though Peter made a mistake, Jesus forgave him. How do you think Peter felt when Jesus forgave him? Should we forgive others in our lives too?
3. Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved him, then gave him a second chance. Peter went on to help start the Church. Does God give us a second chance when we mess up?

PERSONAL LIFE APPLICATION

Just as Jesus forgave Peter and restored their relationship, we too should be willing to forgive others who hurt us and seek to reconcile with them. Forgiveness doesn't mean forgetting what happened, but it means choosing to let go of the hurt and anger, and working towards healing and restoration in our relationships.

PRAY

Go around the class asking your kids if there is anything they would like prayer for. Ask if anyone would like to pray for each other, and give them the opportunity to. If not, then pray for the needs as the teacher / facilitator. Take note of any prayer requests to be passed onto your student support network.

LESSON WRAP-UP

Take photos of any art or creations created by your children that they would like to share with The Link Show. Images can be submitted to thelinkshow@linkkids.com.au