



LESSON PLAN

SERIES: FORGIVENESS

THE POINT: FORGIVENESS SETS US FREE

BIBLE STORY: JACOB AND ESAU

AGE: GRADE 3 - GRADE 6

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will learn the story of Jacob and Esau
- Students will also see the importance of forgiveness in our lives too

AVAILABLE MATERIALS

- Link Show video
- Craft / activity
- Discussion questions

MEMORY VERSE

Mark 11:25 - And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins

BIBLE CONTEXT

The story of Jacob and Esau is found in Genesis 25:19–34 and Genesis 27–33. It revolves around the twin brothers, Jacob and Esau. Jacob, through deceit, obtains the birthright and blessing that rightfully belonged to Esau. The narrative unfolds the complex journey of their relationship and eventual reconciliation.



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Jacob and Esau had a significant conflict over their father's blessing. Can you think of a time when you had a disagreement with someone close to you? How did it affect your relationship?
2. Despite the betrayal and deceit, Esau ultimately forgave Jacob. Why do you think Esau chose to forgive his brother? How do you think forgiveness can impact relationships?
3. There are times when we might say or do things that can hurt our friends, or they might do the same to us. What does Mark 11:25 tell us about how we should respond in both situations.

PERSONAL LIFE APPLICATION

The story of Jacob and Esau teaches us that forgiveness is a powerful tool for healing and reconciliation. Just as Esau forgave Jacob, we can learn to forgive those who wrong us. This doesn't mean forgetting what happened, but it means choosing love over bitterness. When we forgive, we open the door to healing and restoration in our relationships, just as God forgives us.

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