## Sunday School at Home - 5th July 2020

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Our activity today is based on the theme of forgiving one another as God has forgiven us.

Watch and sing along to the song: <u>lesus Loves Me</u>

Forgiveness is a hard concept for children to understand and it is an even harder concept for them to put into action. This Bible Lesson is designed to introduce children to the concept of forgiveness.

**Say:** We all do bad things; sometimes we aren't kind to our siblings or friends, sometimes we take things without asking, and sometimes we don't play nicely with others. When we do something wrong it is called sin and when we sin we need to ask Jesus to forgive us. When we ask Jesus to forgive us He ALWAYS washes away our sin and makes our hearts clean.

In order to help your child visualize forgiveness, give them a small chalkboard and chalk or a whiteboard and dry erase marker. Show them how to scribble on their chalkboard. Then have them erase their scribbles. Explain that the scribbles are like the bad things we do and God "erases" them away when we ask for forgiveness.

**Verse discovery:** Forgive as the Lord forgave you. Colossians 3:13

## **Additional activities**

- **1. Stained Glass Cross:** <u>Click here for instructions on making a stained glass cross to remind your family to practice forgiveness.</u>
- 2. The Forgiving Heart: Click here for resource and printable template.
- **3. Forgiveness Hearts:** Cut out red construction paper hearts and give your child two heart shapes. Ask them to punch holes into the outside edges of the two hearts as they match them exactly. Give them a ribbon to lace through the holes, making a pocket-shape heart. They can decorate the heart as desired and then place Bible verses of forgiveness inside the pocket.
- **4. Printables:** <u>Click here for a 'Be kind to one another' colouring page.</u> <u>Click here for a word search based on Colossians 3:13.</u>

Thank you and we hope you have a great week!