

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION (3-5TH)

ICEBREAKER:

Is there someone you had to ask for forgiveness from this week?

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY:

Mark 4:9

Give each kid one word or a few words of the verse on a note card. See if they can arrange the cards and get the verse right. Then read the verse aloud with the kids.

SMALL GROUP GAME/ACTIVITY:

Bring in the cards from the board game Sorry. Lay down 13 pieces of paper on the ground. Group the kids into 2 teams. The kids will be the game pieces. Let them take turns drawing cards to try to move along the path and see which team can be the first to get 1 player or 4 players to the 13th square at end of the path. Normal Sorry rules apply (1 or 2 to get out of home, must have the exact right number to finish, etc.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Read Matthew 18:21-35

Why did the king forgive the servant?

Why did the king change his mind?

How much has God forgiven us?

Why do we need to forgive other people, no matter what they may do?

What should we do when we do not want to forgive someone?

SIMPLE PRAYER:

Dear God,

Help us to remember how much Jesus forgave us, so we can forgive others.

*In Jesus' name,
Amen*