

GLORY RESOURCES // FAMILIES

- WEEK TWO -

>SCRIPTURE: LUKE 15:21-32

Discussion Points:

- Why did the father throw a party for the younger brother?
- Why do you think the older brother was upset?
- Do you think the father loved the younger brother more?
- Is it hard to watch other people be celebrated? or to celebrate others yourself?

>MEMORY VERSE

“Put up with one another. Forgive one another if you are holding something against someone. Forgive, just as the Lord forgave you.” -Colossians 3:13

>BIBLE STORY ACTIVITY & CRAFT

Using the attached page, have a fun family party together! Make decorations and fun treats. Take it up a notch by celebrating your family members. Take turns encouraging each person by telling them something you love about them or something they do really well. Let's make celebrating each other a habit in our homes!

>CONVERSATION STARTERS

- What's your favorite dessert?
- If you could be any animal, what would you be?
- What makes a nice friend? Who is your best friend?
- What is one thing you are really good at?
- What are you thankful for today?

>AFFIRMATION

Tell your child you are proud of them. Whether it is after they complete school work, create something, or are kind to a sibling or to you, let them know that you are proud of who they are becoming. Children need positive feedback for all that they do, spend time this week giving it to them.

>FUN FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- Have a dance party
- Play hide and seek in the dark
- Look at old family pictures
- Watch the sunset together
- Paint/draw a family portrait

>PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:

We encourage you to pray WITH your kids during your Bible study time, but also over them throughout the week. This week, let's pray over our children's minds. Even at a young age, children can experience doubt and worry. Pray that they would open up about what is weighing on them and give it to God. You may use this prayer or pray as you feel led.

God, I know that _____ may feel confused and scared with everything going on right now. As their life changes, their minds can worry. I pray that _____ will be honest with me about their thoughts and feelings. Give me grace and patience to listen and help encourage them. I pray that _____ will turn their anxious thoughts over to You and trust You to care for them. Help me to be a friend when they are lonely and sad and to always point them back to You. In Your mighty name, Amen.”

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families.*



DIY

FORGIVENESS IS UP TO YOU

PARENT CUE * K-3 * Week of March 29th

Learn more about what God says about forgiveness with your family. First, watch this video <https://bit.ly/2xoFkMo> Then, follow up with the activity below!

REMEMBER THIS

“Put up with one another. Forgive one another if you are holding something against someone. Forgive, just as the Lord forgave you.”
Colossians 3:13 (NIV)

LIFE APP

FORGIVENESS:
deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay

BIBLE STORY

I Don't Want to Miss a Thing
(Father and Older Brother)
Luke 15:21-32

SAY THIS

When you don't forgive, you miss out.

ACTIVITY: FORGIVENESS PARTY

WHAT YOU NEED:

upbeat music, a fun snack or treat (whatever you have at home!), any party supplies you have on-hand (hats, streamers, decorations, etc.)

WHAT YOU DO:

Throw a forgiveness party!

The father in today's story was overwhelmed with joy when his son returned, so he threw a massive party. You can also celebrate forgiveness by having a mini-party of your own.

If you don't have party supplies, make some! Make a paper chain, banners, or even your own party hats.

As you're enjoying your fun snack or treat, engage your family in a conversation about today's Bible story.

*How did the father react when his son returned? *(He forgave him and threw a huge party to celebrate his son's return.)*

*Where was the older brother when the younger son returned? *(working in the field)*

*How did the older brother react when he found out that the party was for his younger brother who'd returned home? *(He was angry.)*

*Why do you think the older brother was SO mad? Have you ever been mad that someone else got something good that you didn't think they deserved? *(We've probably all felt this way. Help your child understand that feeling this way is okay, but when we hold onto those feelings, we can miss out on great things like celebrations and relationships with people we love.)*

Then, turn up the music, challenge your kid to a dance-off, and enjoy the rest of your party.

PRAYER

If it makes sense when your party is over, spend some time in prayer. If not, try to pray together as a family some time before bed:

“God, thank You for always offering forgiveness to us, no matter what. Thank You for teaching us that when we stay angry instead of forgiving, we can miss out on some incredible experiences. When we feel like holding onto our anger, please help us realize it and let it go. We love You, God. Amen.”



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