

JESUS AND FORGIVENESS

Lesson 1

Dear Parents,

Hello! To remind you, we've just embarked on a four-week journey to discover what Jesus had to say about forgiveness. This week's lesson was a really awesome time of fellowship and learning. I hope your child enjoyed it.

This week, the lesson was entitled "Forgiveness Starts With Jesus," and it focused on helping students understand that the forgiveness we are to extend to others comes from the forgiveness that originates in Christ. We challenged students to be more aware of how they see the concept of forgiveness at work in their lives.

We looked at the following Scripture passages:

- Mark 2:1-12
- Matthew 1:21
- Luke 23:34

You'll enjoy reading these great scriptures and seeing how forgiveness truly does start with Jesus.

Next Steps . . .

During the next week as you have time to talk with your teen, consider asking the following questions:

- What was the one thing that you remember from your Bible study time. Why did it stand out to you like it did?
- Consider telling your child a story about a time when you had to choose to forgive someone even though it was a difficult decision/process.
- Ask if your teenager is struggling with someone in his or her life that they need to extend forgiveness to. Ask if there is anything you can do to help them work through it.

Thank you for all you do. If you have any questions about anything, please don't hesitate to call me.