Hi Parents!

Forgiveness is an action that does not come easily. This month, we'll be looking at how Jesus forgave others and how he wants us to do the same.

Memory Verse:

Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. — Colossians 3:13

March 5: God Forgives Me • 1 John 1:8-9

When we sin and mess up, we need to ask God to forgive us. Because the longer we carry it around, the more it hurts us

Bottom Line: God will forgive me when I do something wrong.

March 12: Zacchaeus Meets Jesus • Luke 19:1-10

Jesus wanted to have dinner with Zacchaeus but people complained because Zacchaeus had stolen their money. Jesus showed them that we should forgive others, no matter what they've done.

Bottom Line: Forgive others no matter what.

March 19: Parable of the Prodigal Son • Luke 15:11-24

A son asked his father for his inheritance; then left town and spent it all. With the money gone, he came back to his father, thinking he'd never be forgiven. But his father welcomed him with a huge celebration to show him how much he was loved.

Bottom Line: When you forgive others, you show them that you love them.

March 26: The Unmerciful Servant • Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus told a story about a king who forgave a HUGE debt that a servant owed him. But that servant wouldn't forgive someone else's small debt. Jesus said we need to forgive others because God always forgives us.

Bottom Line: Forgive because you have been forgiven.

This month, KidStuf families are learning to let it go with . . .

GET ONE OF THESE AT KIDSTUF!

HAVE A ROCK HUNT AT HOME TO FILL IT UP!

PUT IT ON YOUR KITCHEN TABLE!

Then anytime this month when someone makes you mad or hurts your feelings, take out a rock, write that person's initials on it, and leave it on the table until you are ready to forgive.

When you ARE ready, take the rock outside . . .

Away from . . . or or

And read this out loud

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I'm choosing to not be mad anymore, to not bring it up again, to forgive because I have been forgiven.

I'm letting it GO!

Then take your rock and

LET IT GO!

Forgiveness is not easy, but holding onto things can really weigh you down. Practice the art of *letting it go* this month!

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