

Forgiveness Skit

FORGIVENESS Skit

Characters

1. Child (seen)
2. GOD (unseen)

Stage Setting

- No particular setting is necessary, but it is good if the Child could sit on a chair and lean on a table that has a Bible on it.

Child: *“Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name.” God, you are loving and generous. You made the whole world and everything in it, including me. Thank you for loving me so much!*

GOD: *You’re welcome.*

Child: *“Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.”*

GOD: *Keep going.*

Child: *“Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us...”*

GOD: *Whoa. Back up.*

Child: *How far?*

GOD: *The forgiveness part.*

Child: *Oh okay. Here goes . “Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.”*

GOD: *That’s right. Do you know what that means?*

Child: *Ummm. ...Let’s see... “as we forgive those who trespass against us”...I’m not sure.*

GOD: *It means that I can’t forgive you if you don’t forgive others.*

Child: *What? But you are God! You can do everything!*

GOD: *Not everything. I gave people choices. Remember?*

Child: *Oh yeah.*

GOD: Jesus has already paid the price for your sins, but, if you hold rocks in your heart, your heart isn't soft and your spiritual plant can't grow in rocks.

Child: Rocks?

GOD: Rocks, stones, boulders.

Child: Wow, that sounds heavy.

GOD: It is. When you hold grudges and don't forgive people it can be so heavy that your shoulders bend down and you can't feel joy.

Child: First I had bugs of sin in my heart and now rocks.

GOD: But the bugs and rocks don't have to stay.

Child: They don't?

GOD: No. Just forgive others.

Child: But they were mean. They don't deserve my forgiveness!

GOD: You are right, they don't.

Child: So, you agree with me. Then, why should I forgive them?

GOD: Do YOU deserve MY forgiveness?

Child: Well, I guess not.

GOD: Do you want to have joy? Do you want your spiritual prayer plant to be healthy?

Child: Yes. But...I don't know if I can forgive them. Can you help me?

GOD: Of course. All you have to do is ask!

Child: So, how exactly do I ask?

GOD: Which hurt would you like to get rid of?

Child: All of them!!

GOD: Now you're talking! But, sometimes you're not ready to let go of everything at once. Let's focus on one to practice.

Child: Okay. My brother made fun of my nose last week and I am still mad at him.

GOD: Are you ready to forgive him? It's not fun carrying that rock around in your heart, is it?

Child: No, it's not fun.

GOD: Then just tell me you forgive Him and ask me to bless him.

Child: But he was mean! It hurt me!

GOD: I know how that feels.

Child: You do?

GOD: Yes, my children hurt me all of the time.

Child: Why do you forgive them?

GOD: Because I love them and want them to have joy and help each other come to me.

Child: I want to have joy.

GOD: Then forgive your brother.

Child: It's that simple?

GOD: It is if you mean it. Sometimes you have to say the words and then the feelings of forgiveness come later.

Child: Ok... Here goes... Lord, I forgive my brother for being mean. Please bless him and please help us to not be mean to each other.

GOD: Done! You are forgiven.

Child: Really?

GOD: Really. Now, doesn't it feel better to not have that rock to carry around in your heart any longer?

Child: Yes! It does! I feel lighter and full of joy! Thank you God! You are wonderful!

GOD: You are welcome.