



## Session Thirteen: Forgive Like God Forgives

### Today's Point:

God wants us to forgive others just like He forgives us.

### Bible Verse:

**Luke 6:37**

**CSB:** Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.

**KJV:** Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven.

### Today's Bible Skill:

- Memorize Luke 6:37
- Find Luke in the New Testament
- Understand that Jesus said these words to teach how to treat others

### Bible Truth Activity:

#### Game: "Forgive or Not Forgive?"

*Object of the game:* Help kids understand what forgiveness looks like through simple, real-life scenarios.

### Directions:

1. Read short situations aloud (see examples below).
2. Ask kids to stand if it's a time to forgive, or sit if it's not.
3. Discuss the answers together.

### Examples:

- Your brother accidentally breaks your toy.
- A friend says something mean, then says sorry.
- Someone doesn't share at recess, and you're mad.

**Say:**

Sometimes people hurt our feelings. But Jesus tells us not to judge or hold grudges. He says, “Forgive, and you will be forgiven.” That means we should let go of anger and show love—just like God does with us.

**Bible Discovery Discussion:**

Ask the kids:

- What does it mean to forgive someone?
- Have you ever had to forgive a friend or family member?
- Why do you think Jesus wants us to forgive others?

**Say:**

When we forgive others, it shows that we understand how much God has forgiven us. Forgiveness doesn’t mean what they did was okay—it means we trust God and choose love instead of staying angry. Jesus wants our hearts to be full of grace!

**Bible Verse Activity – Clap & Pause**

Let’s say our verse out loud using claps and dramatic pauses.

**Clap pattern with verse:**

Clap – *Do not judge*, (pause)

Clap – *and you will not be judged*. (pause)

Clap – *Do not condemn*, (pause)

Clap – *and you will not be condemned*. (pause)

Clap – *Forgive*, (pause)

Clap – *and you will be forgiven!*

**Luke 6:37**

Repeat 2–3 times. Try it again faster, or whispering and shouting the last word: “Forgiven!”

## **Bible Skills Activity: “Kind Heart Chain”**

### **Materials:**

- Strips of construction paper
- Markers
- Tape or stapler

### **Instructions:**

1. On each strip, kids write or draw one way they can show kindness or forgiveness.
2. Link the strips together to make a chain.
3. Hang it on a wall or classroom door as a “Kindness Chain.”

### **Say:**

Every time we choose to forgive or show kindness, we are adding love to the world. God sees it, and He’s so pleased! Let’s remember: Jesus said, “Forgive, and you will be forgiven.”