



Preschool Lesson



Lesson 7: Forgive Others



Whatchagaddaknow:

"I Will Forgive You No Matter What You've Done!"



Power Verse:

"Never pay back evil with more evil..."

- Romans 12:17a

Before the Lesson

- * Collect the items for the activities you plan to use, referring to the Classroom Supplies and Lesson Manual Supplies listed in the chart.
- * Pray for your students and for God's direction in teaching the class.

This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of David's anger with Nabal, and how he almost took revenge (1 Samuel 25).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 6-9)
Hands-On-Learning –The kids will learn that God can help them with anger and forgiveness.	Popcorn kernels, popped popcorn, two plastic jars and bowls with lids	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 10)
Craft Option #2 - Popcorn Craft	Crayons or markers, cotton balls, glue, yellow paint dotter, cardstock	Popcorn Craft Print Piece (pg. 11)
Craft Option #3 – I Will Forgive Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	I Will Forgive Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 12)



Bible Story

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg. 6-9)

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.

Say- David was on the move with his men. He came to a place called Maon. There was a man named Nabal who lived in Maon. Nabal was very rich.

Say- Nabal had lots of land, money, and stuff...including sheep. David knew it was almost time for Nabal and his people to have a big feast.

Say- David sent a messenger to Nabal who said, “Greetings and Peace! I know you will have a great feast soon. I am camped nearby with my men, and we helped guard your sheep. Please share your feast with us!”

Say- Nabal was very mean and selfish. When he heard the message, he was angry. Nabal said, “Who does he think he is? I will NOT share my feast!” (show pic)

Say- David’s servants quickly returned and told him Nabal’s message. Now, David was mad, too! Show me your mad face!

-Allow time for the kids to respond-

Say- David let his anger be in control. He yelled to his men, “Get your swords!” (show pic) David planned on attacking Nabal and his people. Oh no!

Say- Nabal’s wife, Abigail, heard what happened. She rushed to meet David. (show pic)

Say- “Please forgive, don’t hurt anyone!” Abigail brought food for David and his men.

Say- When David calmed down, he was embarrassed. He realized what he had done. (show pic)

Say- He told Abigail, “Return home. I will not hurt your husband.” David learned you should never let anger be in control. Instead, you should have God’s peace!

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: *Popcorn Kernels; Popped Popcorn; Two Clear Glass or Plastic Jars or Bowls With Lids*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.*

Ask- Does anyone know what these are? *(Show un-popped kernels)*

-Allow time for the kids to respond-

Say- That's right! They are popcorn kernels. Anger is a lot like popcorn. That's right! You heard me, POPCORN!

Say- We are going to pretend that this empty jar is you and that these popcorn kernels are anger.

Say- Say anger with me in your most angry voice. *(Say the word aloud with the kids)*

Say- Ooh...you guys have very angry voices!

Say- Let's imagine that someone takes your favorite toy, and it breaks while they're playing with it.

Say- Suddenly, you start to feel something deep inside. You feel angry! *(Pour some kernels into the empty container)*

Say- When you start to feel angry, you have to decide who is going to be the boss. *(Put the lid on the un-popped kernels)*

Say- It's ok to be upset. You just have to be the boss of that anger.

Say- When I put the lid on these kernels, they aren't going anywhere! I am the boss of these kernels. *(Shake the container)* You can stop your anger so it doesn't go anywhere.

Say- Sometimes, we let anger be our boss. We get angrier and angrier until it explodes out of us. *(Pour popped popcorn into the second jar until it spills out everywhere)* Oh nooo!!!

Say- We let anger be the boss when we...

-Hurt others by hitting, pinching, pushing, etc.

-Hurt others by saying mean words or yelling

-Hurt others with a bad attitude

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Hands-On Learning

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Say- We don't want to let anger be our boss - NO WAY! Instead, we can choose to FORGIVE! *(Show unpopped kernels in a container with a lid)*

Say- How do we control anger and forgive? When we are angry, we should STOP, take a deep breath, and PRAY.

Say- God will help us FORGIVE others so we don't POP in anger!

Say- I will forgive you no matter what you've done! *(Say the phrase aloud with the kids)*



Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 10); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



Craft #2: Popcorn Craft

Supplies Needed: Popcorn Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons or markers; Cotton Balls; Glue; Yellow Paint Dotters; Cardstock

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Popcorn Craft Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.

How To Do Craft - Allow the kids to decorate one Popcorn craft print piece with crayons or markers. Glue cotton balls to the top of the popcorn bucket to represent popcorn. Once the cotton balls are glued in place, use the yellow paint dotters to paint some of the cotton balls yellow to look like real popcorn. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how God helps us control our anger so it doesn't POP!



Craft #3: I Will Forgive Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: I Will Forgive Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 12); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the I Will Forgive Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



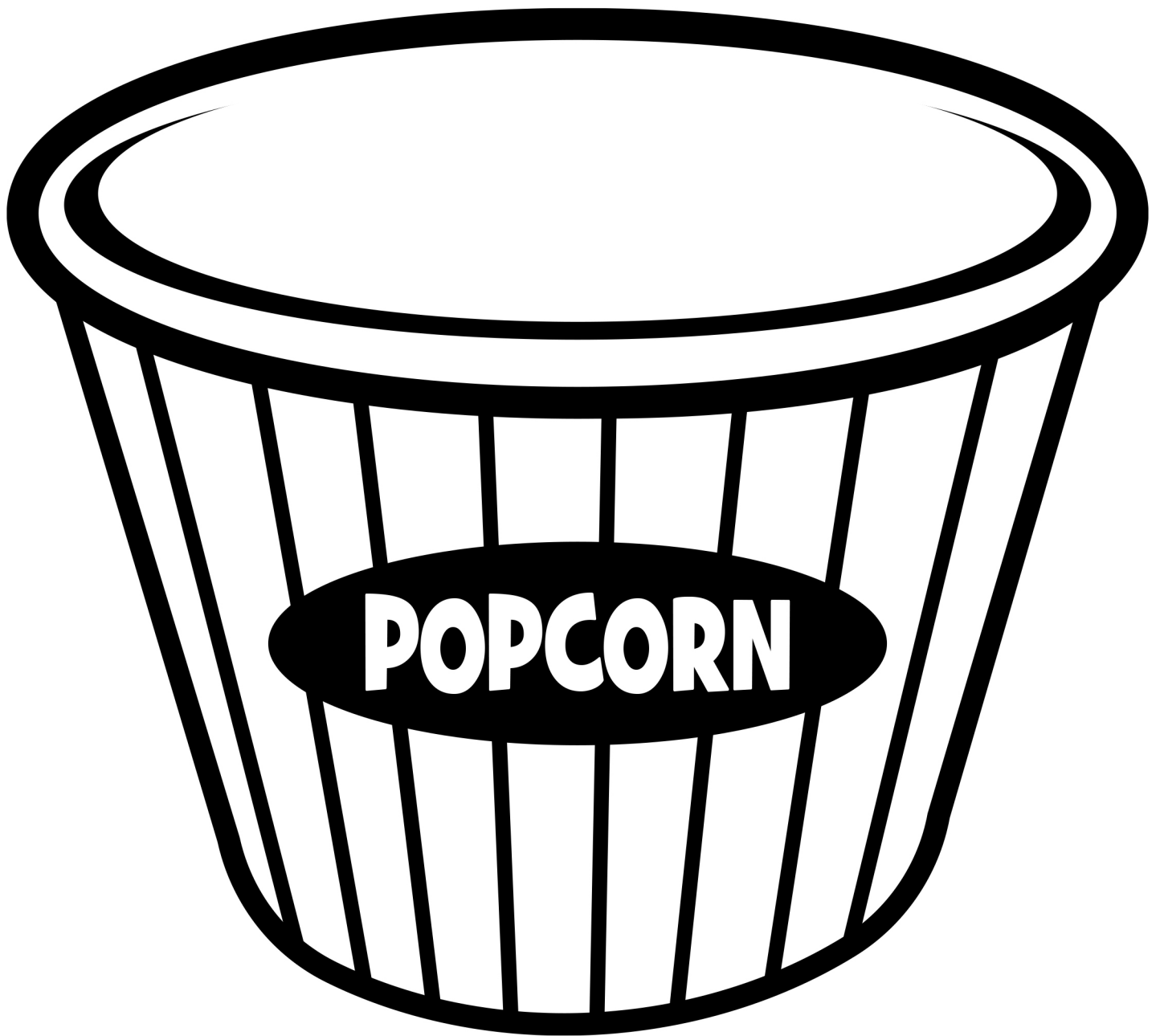








**DAVID GOT ANGRY AND ALMOST MADE A BIG MISTAKE.
THANKFULLY, DAVID CHOSE TO FORGIVE!**



**I WON'T LET MY ANGER POP;
GOD HELPS ME FORGIVE OTHERS!**



**I WILL FORGIVE YOU
NO MATTER WHAT YOU'VE DONE!**