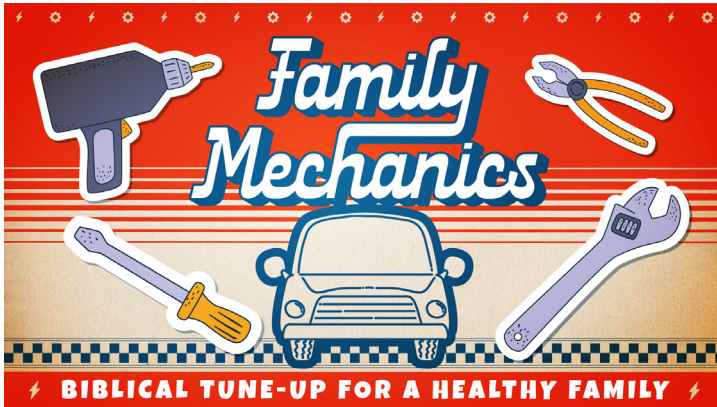




Preschool Lesson



Lesson 4: Steering Clear Of Family Fights



Whatchagaddaknow:

“No Matter How You’ve Done Me Wrong, I Know We Can Get Along!”



Power Verse:

“Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.”

- Romans 12:18

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 Jacob and Esau fighting, and then forgiving (Genesis 32-33).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 6-9)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that God wants us make things right when there’s a fight!	A toy	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 10)
Craft Option #2 - Heart Craft	Crayons or markers, scissors, glue	Heart Craft Print Piece (pg. 11)
Craft Option #3 – We Can Make It Right Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	We Can Make It Right 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- The Bible tells us about twin brothers named Esau and Jacob. Esau was born seconds before Jacob, so he was the firstborn son. Because Esau was the firstborn son, he would receive a special gift from his father when he was older.

Say- The brothers grew up to be men. The time came for Esau to receive his special gift.

Say- Jacob was jealous. He wanted to get the special gift instead of Esau. So, Jacob did a very sad thing. He lied and tricked his dad into giving him the gift. Jacob **STOLE** Esau's gift. OH NO!

Say- Esau was very sad and very angry! (Show pic)

Say- Esau was so angry that he wanted to hurt Jacob. So, Jacob took all of his things and ran away from his home. This was a **HUGE** family fight!

Say- Many years passed. Jacob was sorry for what he had done to his brother Esau and wanted to apologize. Jacob heard that his brother was nearby. He sent a messenger to find him. The messenger took gifts and gave them to Esau. (Show pic)

Say- Esau was surprised to see a messenger and gifts from his brother.

Say- Esau gathered all his men and headed towards Jacob's camp. The messenger thought that Esau was going to attack Jacob and hurt him, so he ran to warn his master. (Show pic)

Say- “Jacob, Esau is heading here with 400 soldiers to attack you,” shouted the messenger!

Say- Jacob was afraid. He prayed and asked God for help. (Show pic)

Say- Jacob heard Esau had arrived at his camp. He went out to meet him and humbly bowed down in front of his brother.

Say- The Bible says that Esau grabbed Jacob and...(Show pic)

Say- HE **HUGGED HIM!** Jacob said he was **SORRY** for the things he had done. Esau **FORGAVE** his brother!

Say- God can help end any family fight, no matter how bad it may seem!

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: A toy

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

Say- Today, we will talk about something that sometimes happens in families. Sometimes... we fight. Have you ever had a fight with your brother or sister? Or maybe a friend? Maybe you both wanted the same toy, and no one wanted to share. *(Show the toy, holding it as you teach)*

Say- You want the toy, so you say, “That’s mine!” Your brother wants the toy, so he says, “It’s MY turn!” You both pull and tug at the toy. You feel mad and upset. It’s a fight for the toy.

Ask- What should you do to make things better when something like this happens?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- God doesn’t want our family to fight! He wants us to say, “I’m sorry,” when we do something wrong, and He wants us to say, “I forgive you,” when someone else says they’re sorry.

Say- That reminds me of our Bible story! Do you remember the two brothers named Jacob and Esau? They had a big fight. Jacob had tricked Esau, and Esau got really, really mad. For a long time, they didn’t talk to each other.

Say- One day, Jacob heard that Esau was coming to see him. Uh-oh! Jacob was scared. But instead of hiding, Jacob made a good choice.

Ask- What do you think Jacob did?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- Jacob prayed to God and asked for help.

Say- We can always pray to God and ask for His help when we feel angry, sad, or scared. God helps us to be brave and kind, even when it’s hard. Jacob also kept a humble heart. That means he didn’t shout or get mad. He said sorry and bowed down to Esau. And do you know what happened next?

Say- Esau ran to Jacob and gave him a big hug! He forgave Jacob! They were happy to be together again.

Ask- How do you feel when someone says they’re sorry and hugs you?

-Allow time for responses-

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Hands-On Learning

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Say- It feels good, doesn't it? That's called forgiveness, and God loves it when we forgive one another!

Ask- What can you do if you fight with someone in your family?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- You can say, “I’m sorry,” or “I forgive you.” And you can ask God to help you. God wants us to live in peace and love each other!

Say- Let’s say this together: “No matter how you’ve done me wrong, I know we can get along!” (*Say the phrase along with the kids*)

Pray



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: Heart Craft

Supplies Needed: Heart Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons Or Markers; Scissors; Glue

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Heart 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 the craft page using crayons or markers. Cut along the dotted line to detach the bottom part of the page, and then cut out the heart shape. Use glue to attach it to the top part of the page to mend the broken heart by putting the two pieces back together. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how God wants us to make things right with our family!



Craft #3: We Can Make It Right Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: We Can Make It Right Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 12); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the We Can Make It Right 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.

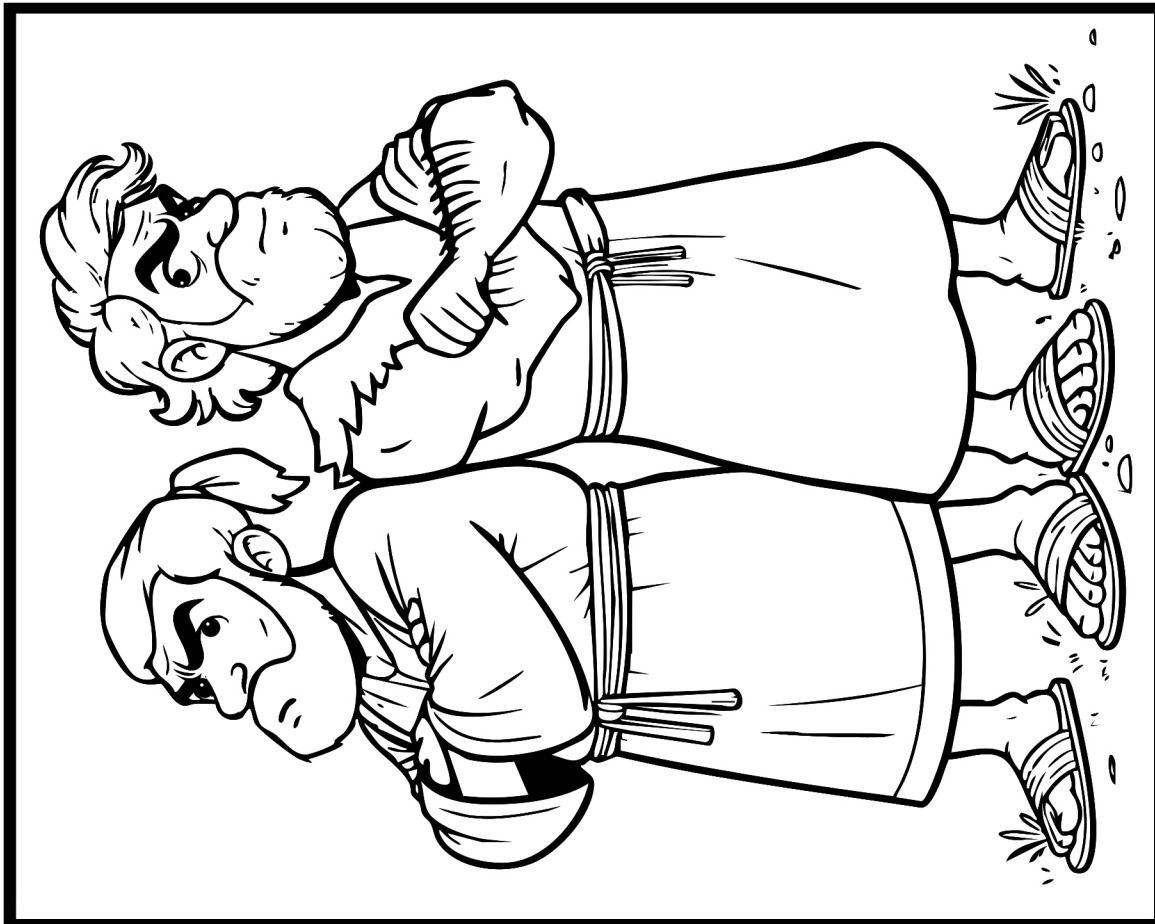
How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



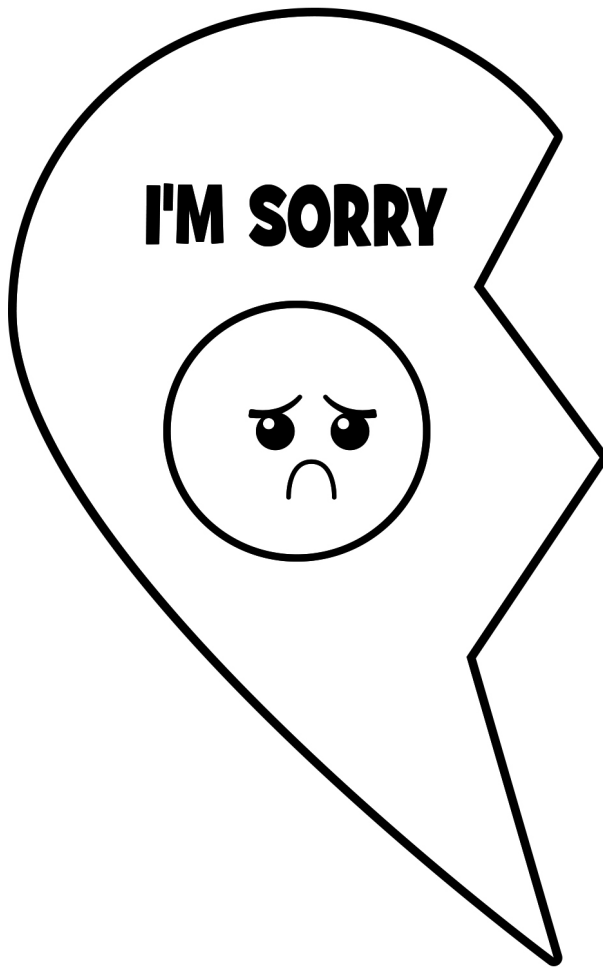




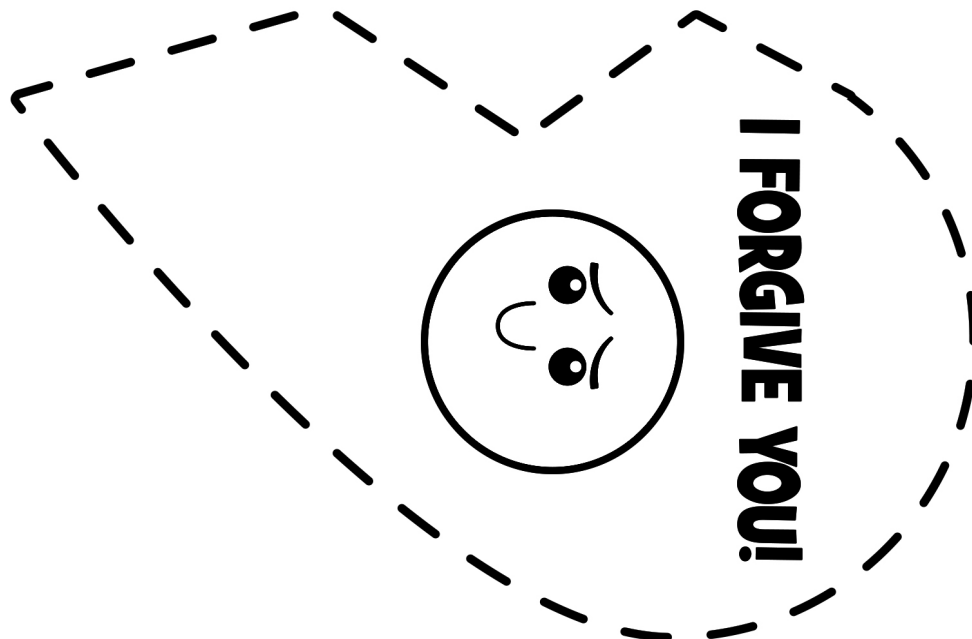


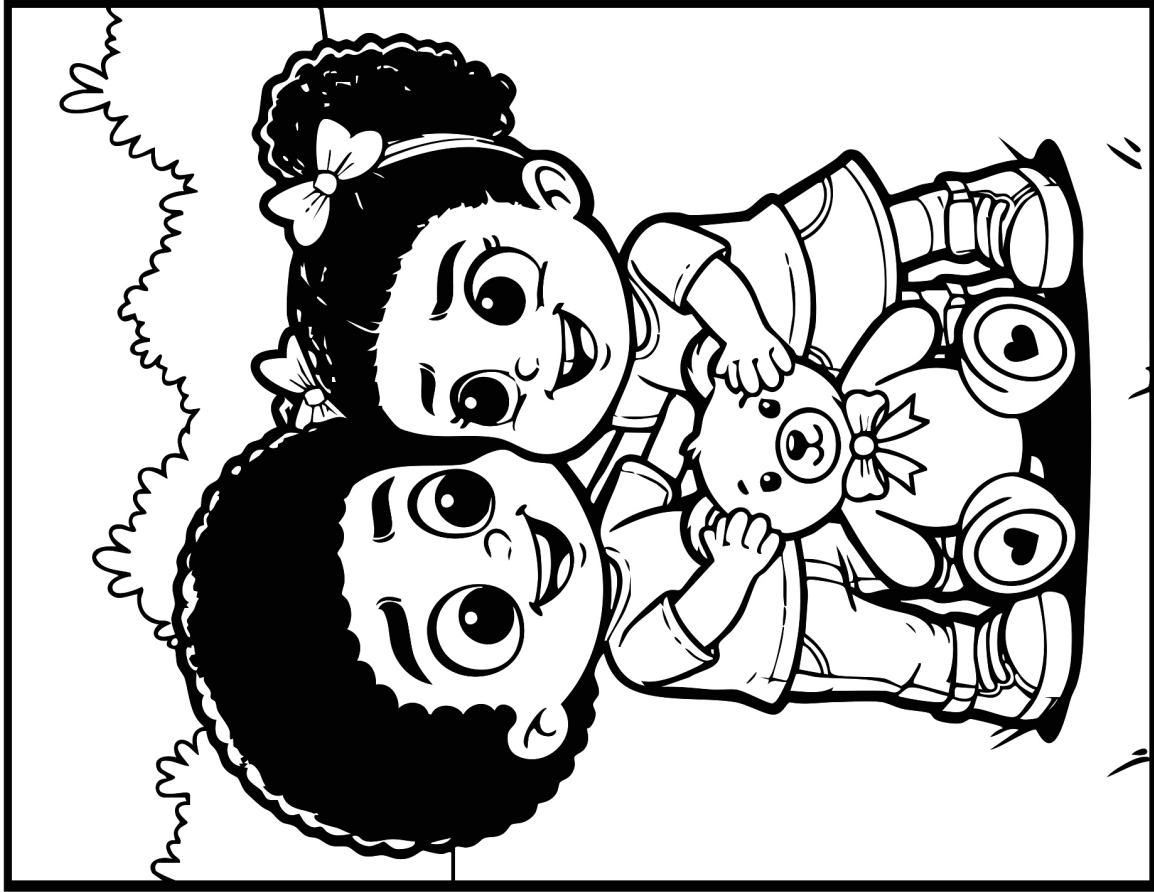
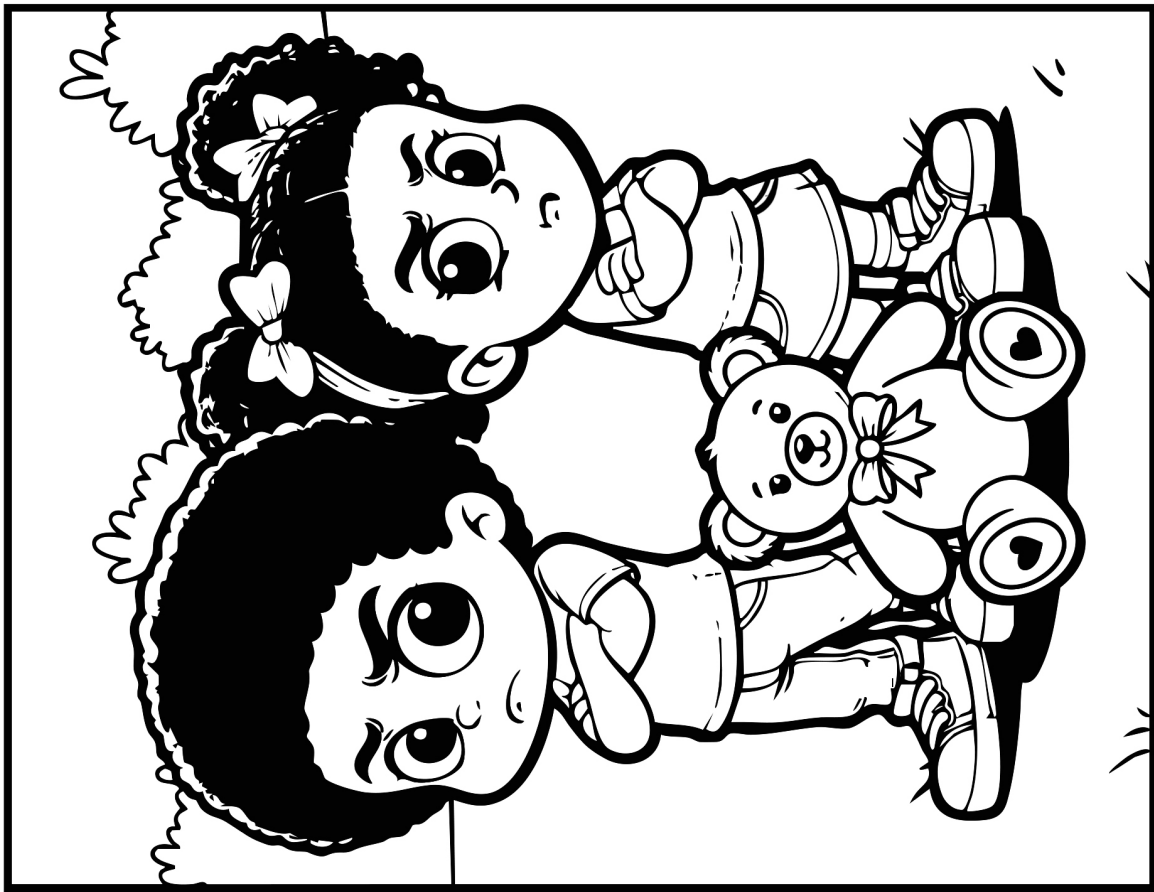


**JACOB AND ESAU HAD A BIG FIGHT,
BUT GOD HELPED JACOB MAKE IT RIGHT!**



GOD CAN HELP FIX ANY FAMILY FIGHT!





**WHEN WE HAVE A BIG FIGHT,
GOD CAN HELP US MAKE IT RIGHT!**