

Twinkles Doing Church Differently

Week 20: God Forgives

In this session we will learn that God is merciful and if we turn to Him and say sorry He is ready and willing to forgive us.

Message/Story time:

Begin with a reminder of what we started to learn last week.

God is fair. If people do bad things, then there is punishment. But God always gives people a chance to say sorry.

In fact, God sent his son Jesus to take all of the punishment on the cross, so that if we say sorry there is no more punishment. God will forgive us. This means God will say "It's ok, don't worry, I love you."

Read the story of Jesus and the robber together.

Sometimes we will make mistakes and do things we shouldn't, but God loves us and is always waiting to say, "It's ok, I love you" if we really say sorry, just like the robber.

Craft time: Cross paintings.

Stick some masking tape on a piece of card or paper in the shape of the cross. Paint or colour all over the page. When you're finished remove the tape to leave an outline of the cross in your painting.



Worship time: Bigger than big https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b_Vwba3dGeY

Prayer time: Bubble prayers.

Blow some bubbles and think about some of the things you might need to say sorry to God for. Ask God to forgive you. Watch the bubbles pop and disappear reminding you that God forgives.

Jesus and the Robber



Even though he had never done anything wrong or bad, Jesus was nailed to the cross. He did this to take all the punishment for all the wrong and bad things that other people had done.

Two other men were nailed to crosses beside Jesus at the same time. These men were robbers and had done lots of bad things.

One of the robbers was mean to Jesus and laughed at him. But the other robber said, "Why are you being mean? We have done bad things and we should be up here on the cross. But Jesus is a good man, he does not deserve to be here."

Then this robber said sorry to Jesus for all of the bad things he had done. Jesus said to him, "It's ok, I forgive you, you will come to heaven to be with me."