

Discipleship Tools

In a season of live streaming and canceled children's programs, may the following questions and activities guide you in helping your children apply the sermon.

Psalm 32

If you miss the live stream, you can view the sermon [here](#).

Sermon Discussion

Preschool

1. Have you ever had to ask for forgiveness for something that you have done wrong? How did you feel when the person forgave you?
2. Have you ever had to forgive someone else? Was it hard? Why should we forgive others?
3. What does God think about sin? What do you have to do to have your sins forgiven?

Younger Kids

1. What do you think it means to feel convicted of sin? What does it mean to repent?
2. Have you ever had to ask someone else for forgiveness? Did they forgive you? How did their response make you feel?
3. Why does our sin separate us from God? How can we be restored to God?
4. How does this passage teach you more about who God is (his character)?

Older Kids

1. Is feeling guilty about something you've done wrong the same as repentance? Why or why not?
2. How does God respond when we confess our sins to him? Why is it necessary to confess sin?
3. What keeps you from seeking forgiveness from both God and people when you have sinned against them?
4. What does this text teach us about the character of God?

Christ Connection

How does this text point us to Jesus?

Preschool: Jesus forgives our sins.

Elementary: Through Jesus, we can experience the forgiveness of sin and be filled with joy if we respond to him in faith.

Activities

All Ages

Object Lesson on the Forgiveness of Sins

You'll need:

- 2 small clear jars
- 1 large clear jar
- bleach
- water
- dark food coloring

Prep:

Fill the large jar with half water, half bleach. (Jesus)

Fill a small jar with water and dark food coloring. (sin)

Fill a small jar with water. (you)

Perform:

- Start by explaining, "We are not perfect, we all have sinned. Every person who has ever lived has chosen to disobey God." *Pour a little water from the sin jar into the "you" jar til the "you" jar is dark.*
- Say, "Because of our sin we are separated from God and deserve the punishment of death, but because of his great love for us, God provided a way for us to be restored to him. He sent his Son, Jesus to die on the cross, taking the sins of the entire world on himself." *Pour all the water from the "sin" jar into the "Jesus" jar. The "sin" will disappear in the Jesus jar and remain clear. As you pour say, "But on the third day, Jesus rose from the grave defeating sin and death."*
- "We can experience forgiveness of sins if we respond to Jesus in faith. We must admit that we are a sinner, believe that Jesus is God's Son who paid the price for our sins, and confess that he is our Savior and Lord of our life." *Pour some water from the "Jesus" jar into the "you: jar until it is clear. "From that point forward when God looks at us, he doesn't see our sin but instead sees the glory of his Son who has given us forgiveness of sins, filled us with his presence and joy and the promise of eternal life."*

The Gospel for Kids

In our IDC Kids Discipleship Hour K-5th graders often hear us present the gospel in the following way:

God Rules (Genesis 1:1, Colossians 1:16)

We sinned (Romans 3:23, 6:23)

God Provided (John 3:16; Ephesians 2:8-9)

Jesus Gives (Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21, I Peter 3:18)

We Respond (Romans 10:9-10,13)

For a closer look at each of these points, check out the following video from Lifeway:

[Kids Gospel Presentation](#)

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