



Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Blank CD, pencil.

1. Getting Started

Ask kids: Have you ever forgotten something important? What happened?

2. Discussion Questions

- How would you feel if someone talked about your mistakes, like Bowie did to Gabby? Do you think Gabby can forgive him?
- Have you ever forgiven someone? What happened?

3. Hands-On Option

Look Up and Read: Colossians 3:12-14. These verses are about the reason we forgive.

Do This: Choose two kids as volunteers. Give one of them the blank CD and give the other a pencil.

Say This: We'll pretend this CD is the coolest new game or movie, and that it really belongs to you. It costs a lot, and it's super amazing. Since you're really nice, you let me borrow it! Unfortunately, something happens.

Do This: Take the CD and break it.

Say This: I broke your game or movie. I don't have the money to replace it. You are so nice, though, and you decide to forgive me. Next let's go over here and pretend again. You borrowed my pencil. It's not worth much, but it's mine. And you broke it.

Do This: Allow the kid to break the pencil.

Say This: Now, I was just forgiven for breaking something really huge. Do you think I should get really mad at them for breaking my pencil, or forgive them? (Forgive them.)

The Point: God has forgiven us for every wrong thing we've ever done, and ever will do. Doesn't that mean we should forgive others, too?

Discuss: How do you forgive someone? (Tell them you forgive them, be kind to them.)

4. Wrap-Up and Prayer

Ask: Who is someone you could forgive today? Who could you ask to forgive you? **Do This**: Pray with the kids.