

Dear Parents,

I will miss seeing you and your child(ren) in person for the rest of March, but I'm glad we are all staying safe. I hope you find this Interactive Bible Study from HCKids for you and your child(ren) to do together for March 22<sup>nd</sup> - April 4<sup>th</sup> helpful and enjoyable.

There are "hard copy packets" available to pick up at church that contain copies of conversation starters, activities, coloring pages, "God Time" pages, and any required materials for crafts etc.

Please use the enclosed resources to accommodate your family needs and personal style. Please feel free to pick and choose which activities you would like to do. **Let your child know that for each activity they choose to complete they will receive 1 point to spend at the "Store" when we resume normal life.** 😊 Please feel free to email me at [losborne@hillcrestcov.org](mailto:losborne@hillcrestcov.org) with any questions, praise reports, prayer requests, or to let me know how many points your child earned this week!

Video links will be provided each week at : [hillcrestcov.org](http://hillcrestcov.org) Go to menu: HCKids and click on "Connect with HCKids from Home" tab at the bottom of the page.

Don't forget to also check out the valuable resource: Right Now Media. You can access this through the church website: [hillcrestcov.org](http://hillcrestcov.org) Scroll to the very bottom and click on "Right Now Media Resource" button.

My prayer for your family and loved ones:

"He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you will find refuge; His faithfulness will be your shield and rampart." Psalm 91:4

Please tell your child I miss seeing them and that Miss Lisa says, "Hi!"

With you through it all,  
Lisa Osborne  
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## 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Activities for March 22-28

# Please Forgive Me

**Bible Story:** Please Forgive Me (The Story of the Lost Son) • **Luke 15:11-24**

**Bottom Line:** Everyone needs to be forgiven.

**Memory Verse:** *Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. Colossians 3:13 (NIV)*

**Life App:** Forgiveness—Deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay

**Basic Truth:** I can trust God no matter what.

### 1. Watch Videos – <https://vimeo.com/showcase/6874412>

### 2. Suggested Conversation:

“Why do you think Jesus told this story? How does our heavenly Father act like the earthly father in this story? (*Pause for kid to respond and discuss.*) The father in this story Jesus told had every right to be angry. While his father was still living, the son had asked for his inheritance, which is something that is only given when someone dies! And what did the son do with that hard-earned money? He wasted it. The father could have refused to see him or, at the very least, let him come back only as a servant. But what did he do? The father ran to him, hugged him, and forgave him. He was so happy to see him that he threw a big party to celebrate his return.

**[Bottom Line]** “Everyone needs to be forgiven. The good news for us is that God LOVES each one of us. He loves us SO much that He sent Jesus, His only Son. God sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sin, the stuff that separates us from God. Jesus made a way for EVERYONE to be forgiven! When we believe or trust in Jesus so that we can be forgiven, we can have a friendship with God forever!”

**[Make It Personal]** (*Tell your few about when you first understood that God sent Jesus so that everyone—including you—could be forgiven.*)

### 3. Memory Verse Hide and Seek:

#### What You Do:

- Have your child look up Colossians 3:13 and read it aloud.
- Write out the verse on paper scraps—two or three words per scrap of paper.
- Count the paper scraps.
- When you finish, fold the papers in half and have your child cover their eyes as you hide them around your area.
- Once all the words are hidden, challenge your kid to find all of the paper scraps and put the verse in order.

### 4. Color a picture of the story

### 5. Journal Entry Page

### 6. Suggested Prayer:

“God, thank You for sending Jesus so that we could be forgiven! We don't want to stay angry and blow up and do something unkind. Help us to let it go and choose to forgive. Thank You for showing us how to do that. We love You. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.”

### 7. “God Time” Paper for daily follow-up throughout the week.