

****We covered these questions in small groups during service (utilize for additional recap)****



WEEK 3 BIBLE STUDY

Memory Verse: "Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow." Psalms 25:4

Read Matthew 18:21-35

Answer these questions:

(K - 3rd Grade)

1. Why did the king forgive the servant for his debt?

The king had a soft heart like God and knew the servant would never be able to repay his debt.

2. Why did the king later change his mind?

The servant went and found a man that owed him a little bit of money and demanded payment.

3. Who was hard like a pumpkin shell in this story?

The servant

4. Who was soft like the inside of a pumpkin?

The king

5. Why does God want us to forgive others?

When it comes to dealing with other people, he wants us to be kind and loving. Jesus took all of our sins upon Himself. He died on the cross to pay for our sins. He wants us to show the same mercy to others.

(4th & 5th Grade)

1. Why did the king forgive the servant for his debt?

The king had a soft heart like God. The king knew that no matter how hard the servant worked, he would never be able to repay the debt.

2. Why did the king later change his mind?

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3. Why does God want us to forgive others?

When it comes to dealing with other people, he wants us to be kind and loving. Jesus took all of our sins upon Himself. He died on the cross to pay for our sins. He wants us to show the same mercy to others.

4. Why is forgiving others hard to do?

We don't rely on Jesus to help us. We sometimes forget all that Jesus has forgiven us for.

5. What can we do when someone wrongs us to help us remember to be forgiving?

We need to remember all that Jesus forgives us for. Pray to God and ask Him to help us forgive others.



MAKE IT STICK

4 Simple Ways You Can Make This Lesson Stick With your Kids

Pumpkin Parables Lesson 3

THIS WEEK'S LESSON: PUMPKIN SHELL



IN THE CAR:

Ask your child what they learned about this week on the drive home:

A pumpkin's hard shell hides a soft and gooey inside. God doesn't want us to become hard, but to have soft and forgiving hearts. Matthew 18:21-35, The Story of the Unmerciful Servant



HANGING OUT:

Make this week's lesson real:

Make a soft, sweet treat with the inside of a pumpkin (or the inside of a can of pumpkin) this week like a pumpkin roll or pumpkin pie. Ask your kids why God wants us to have soft, forgiving hearts instead of hard hearts?



AT DINNER:

Here are some great discussion starters:

- What did the servant do after he had been forgiven?
- What should the servant have done instead?
- What does this story teach us about forgiving others?

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Forgive the debt like his was forgiven

To forgive others just like Jesus has forgiven us when he died on the cross.



AT BEDTIME:

Quiz your child on this week's memory verse:

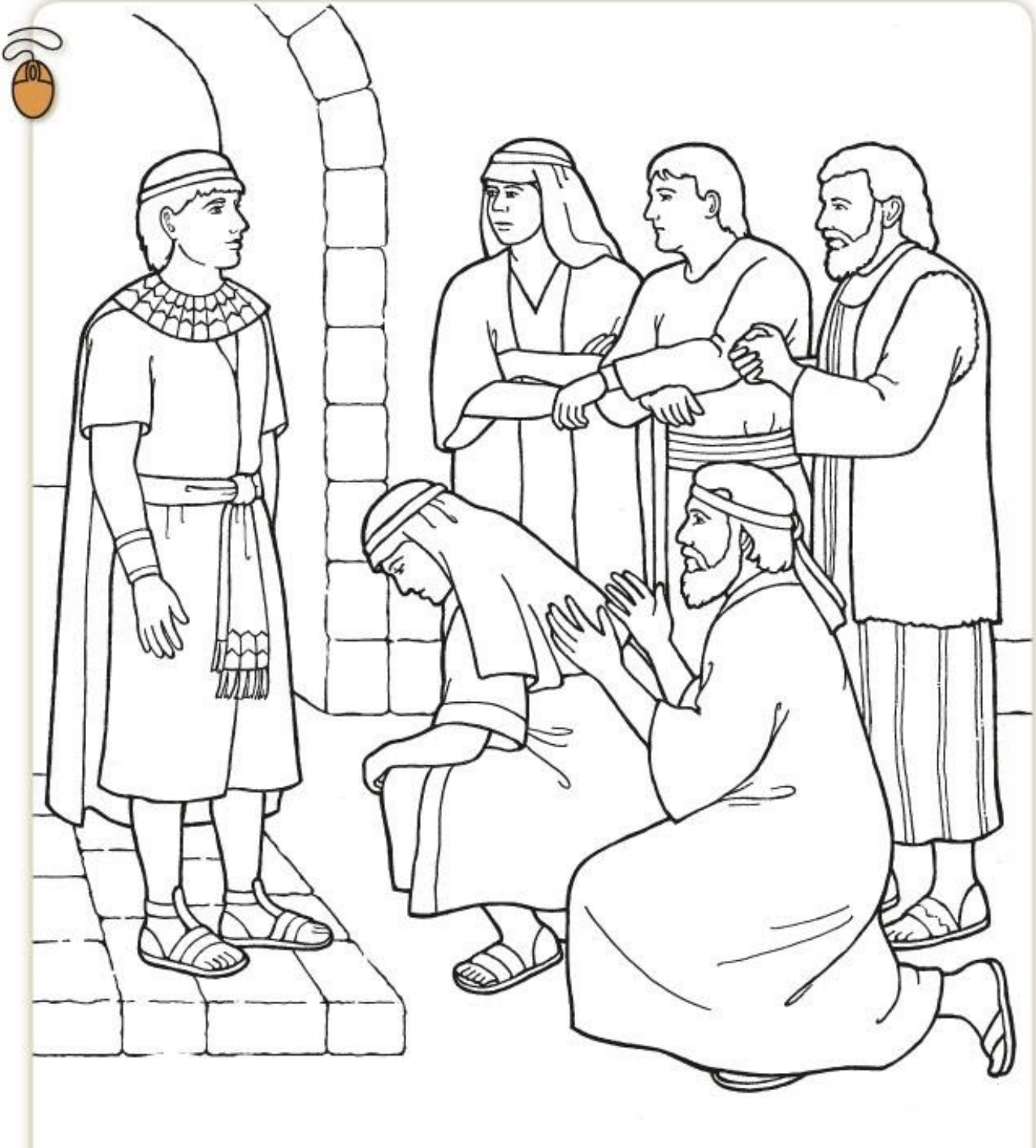
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PARENT TIME:

What you need to know:

It is never easy to forgive someone who has wronged you, especially when that wound is still fresh. Nevertheless, Jesus commands us to forgive because He has forgiven us. Ask God to help you to model a kind, forgiving heart to your kids so that they too will be kind and forgiving.



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