

FAMILY DEVOTION

I KNOW IT SOUNDS CRAZY BUT IT'S TRUE!

"Family Fights"



"No Matter How You've Done Me Wrong, I Know We Can Get Along!"



"Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone."

- Romans 12:18

SAY:

"I'm sorry" are two of the hardest words for someone to say. Even when the person who hurt us finally says those two words, it can be even harder for us to say, "I forgive you."

READ:

Genesis 32-33

ASK/DISCUSS:

- What were the names of the brothers?
- Who did Jacob trick in order to get Esau's birthright?
- How did Esau react when he found out Jacob had cheated him?
- Was Esau willing to forgive Jacob?

SAY:

Forgiving those who have hurt us is not an easy thing to do, but not doing it is even worse. For a Christian, that's not an option. We must not live our lives holding unforgiveness towards someone, no matter what they have done to hurt us. If we do, it hurts us much more than it ever hurts them.

DISCUSS:

Spend some time discussing anything in your own family that may require an apology or forgiveness. Address any "elephants in the room." Spend some time talking through any hurts and begin the process of repentance and forgiveness.

PRAY:

Pray that God will help your family to continue to work through what you just discussed. Ask God to continue to help each of you have humble spirits of forgiveness.