

# FAMILY DEVOTION

## FORGIVENESS

“Why Should I Forgive?”



“God Forgave Me, So I Forgive You!”



“...Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.”

- Colossians 3:13b

### SAY:

It's impossible to go through life without experiencing hurt, betrayal, or disappointment. Those we love the most are often the ones who hurt us the most. Finding it in our hearts to forgive can seem like an impossible task.

### READ:

Matthew 18:21-35

### ASK/DISCUSS:

- What did the king do the first time the servant asked him to have mercy?
- When that servant walked out of the king's court, who did he run into?
- Did the first servant forgive the second servant of his debt?
- What did the king do when he heard about what the unforgiving servant did?

### SAY:

For Christians, forgiveness is NOT a choice! Jesus commanded each of us to forgive - not because the person who offended is deserving, but because God has already forgiven us of so many things. We must pass on what we have already received.

### DISCUSS:

- Jesus took it to another level when He said, “If you don't forgive others, God won't forgive you!”

### PRAY:

*Pray for your children who may have been holding bad feelings and unforgiveness in their hearts toward others.*