

5 Simple Ways You Can Make This Lesson Stick With Your Kids

THIS WEEK'S LESSON: GIVE 'EM A BREAK, DUDE



IN THE CAR:

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

Jesus promised mercy to those who are merciful. He wants us to forgive as we've been forgiven. Matthew 18:21-35, Parable of the Unmerciful Servant



M HANGING OUT:

Make this week's lesson real:

When someone gets mad at another person in the house, no matter who it is, sit down with them and talk through why we need to forgive each other. Then help the two to set things right.



AT DINNER:

Here are some great discussion starters:

- What did the master do for the servant who owed him a great deal of money?
- What did the master do when the servant didn't show mercy to a man who owed him money?
- Why does Jesus want us to be merciful to others?



AT BEDTIME:

Quiz your child on this week's memory verse:

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:32 (NIV)



MPARENT TIME:

What you need to know:

Is there someone who has offended you? Is there someone you are holding a grudge against? What is keeping you from forgiving the wrong they have done to you? Ask God to give you a merciful heart, and pray that you can be a model of mercy for your kids.