

MARCH  
WEEK TWO

# Elementary



## Work in Progress: Redo, Rewrite, Restore

Forgiveness is deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay.



### MEMORY VERSE

"Put up with one another. Forgive one another if you are holding something against someone. Forgive, just as the Lord forgave you."  
Colossians 3:13, NIV



Weekly Cues

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ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



### Morning Time

As your kid starts their day, encourage your child by sharing a way you've seen them grow or change.



### Meal Time

At a meal, have everyone at the table answer this question: "Have you ever forgiven someone for something they did? How did it make the other person feel? How did you feel?"



### Drive Time

While on the go, ask for their forgiveness for a parenting fail (we all have them!).



### Bed Time

Pray for each other: "God, if there is someone in our lives who we need to forgive, remind us of them. And Lord, we pray you give us the strength and compassion to forgive them."



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Read: Ephesians 4:32

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## How to Forgive

When you forgive someone you, are showing them how much they mean to you. Act out some actions or feelings that you can use when you start to forgive someone. Here are some to start with: love, happiness, joy, kindness, and generosity.

**KNOW** that it feels good to forgive others.

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## Changes

Think of an animal or insect that can change. For example, a caterpillar changes into a butterfly, a crab changes its shell, and even a chameleon changes its color. Every animal or insect that makes a change does it to make itself better. When you forgive others, it can change them and you! Draw a before and after photo of what you might look like before and after you forgive someone!

**LOOK** for times that you need to forgive others!

DAY

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## Don't Forget!

Write out this week's verse or have an adult help using a whiteboard or a pencil (something you can erase). Read it aloud a few times and then start erasing words or phrases. Repeat the verse using your memory to complete the verse! Don't feel like you have to do it all today! Practice throughout the whole week!

**ASK** God to help you be kind, tender and forgiving!

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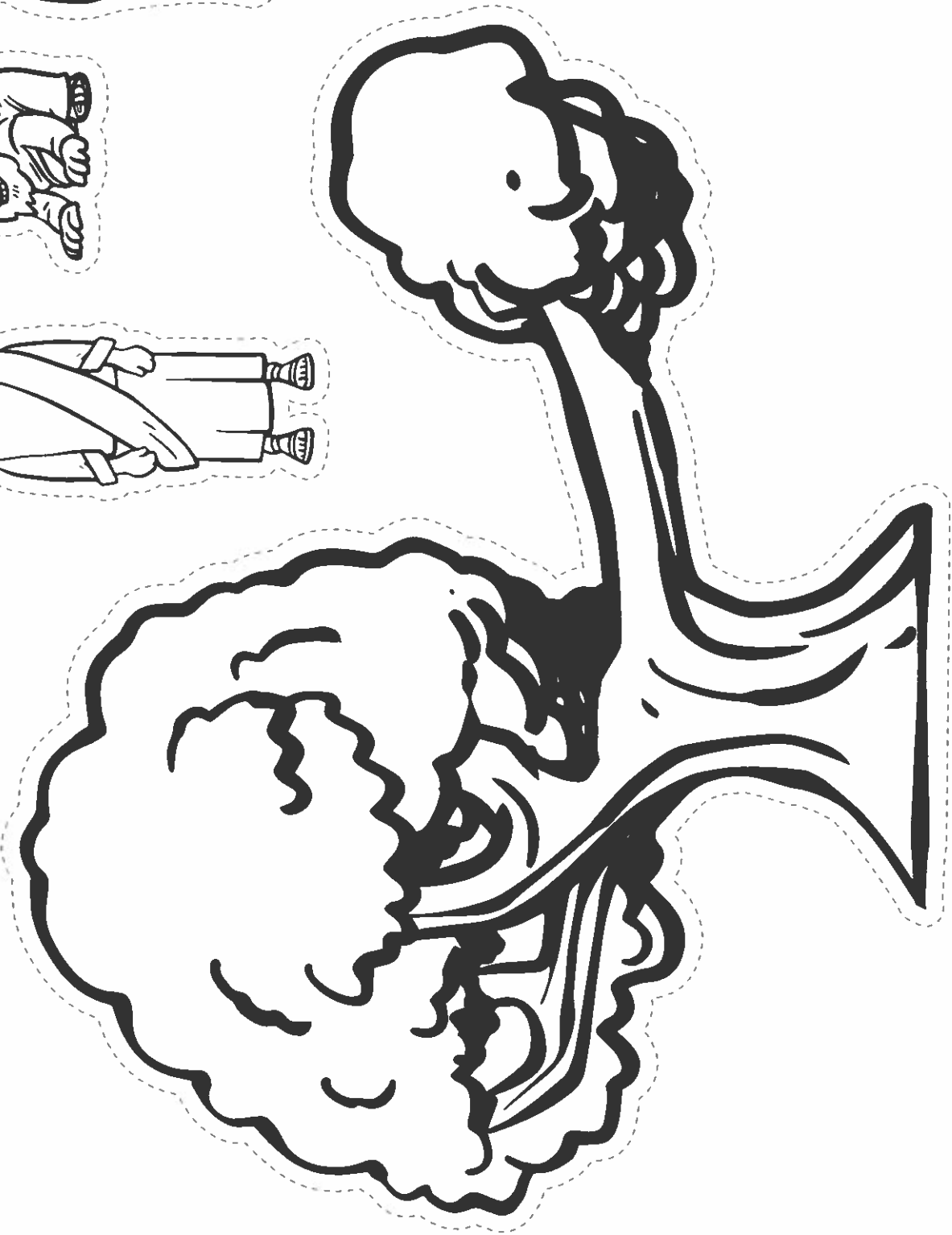
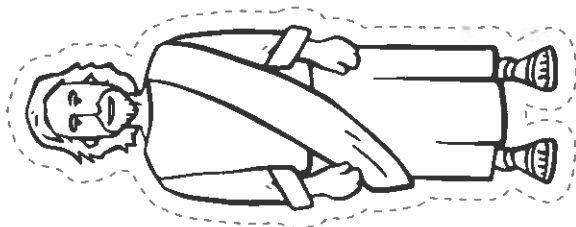
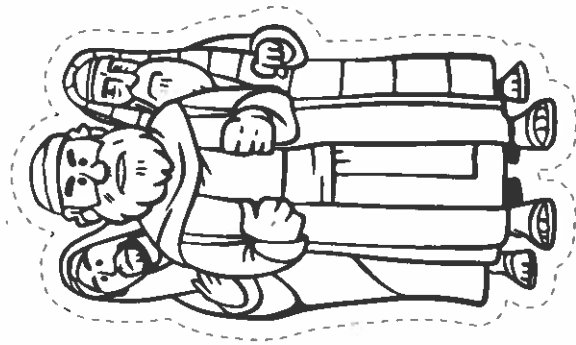
## Change Others for Good

"Dear God, I pray that I can follow Your lead and forgive others. I know that by forgiving others I can change them for the good. I pray that they can see You in me when I forgive, especially when it's hard. Please help me to forgive always. Amen"

**ASK** God to lead you to forgive others quickly.

When you forgive others,  
it can change them.





**What to Do:**  
Print on paper, one set of puppets for each kid.

Retell the story, encouraging kids to do the actions when you say "Zacchaeus Says." Quickly say the actions that don't have "Zacchaeus says" before them to throw kids off.

Jesus was passing through Jericho. Zacchaeus was also there and really wanted to see Jesus. Zacchaeus was very rich because he was a tax collector.

**Zacchaeus Says, "Collect taxes." (put your hands out repeatedly as if asking for money)**

Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus, but he had a hard time seeing over the crowd of people.

**Zacchaeus Says, "Try to see above the crowd." (stand on tip-toe or jump, trying to see into the distance)**

**Look for Jesus. (walk around, hand to forehead, as if looking around)**

Zacchaeus knew that Jesus was heading his way! To help him see Jesus better, Zacchaeus ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree.

**Climb a tree. (start from a crouching position and pretend to climb, getting higher)**

When Jesus reached the spot, He saw Zacchaeus and called him by name.

**Zacchaeus Says, "Spot Jesus." (excitedly point, as if spotting Jesus)**

Jesus told him to climb down the tree and said He'd like to stay at Zacchaeus's house.

**Climb down the tree. (start from a standing position and pretend to climb, getting lower)**

**Zacchaeus Says, "Invite Jesus to your house." (wave your arm towards you, gesturing to come over)**

Zacchaeus gladly welcomed Jesus to his house.

**Talk to Jesus. (open and close both of your hands, as if they're talking to each other)**

The people in the community watched this with judgment. They said that Jesus had gone to be the guest of a sinner. They didn't know that Zacchaeus's heart was being changed.

**Zacchaeus Says, "Change your heart." (take your hands and hold them on your heart, repeatedly)**

Zacchaeus was changed by Jesus. He wanted to make things right that he had done wrong. Zacchaeus even wanted to give away half of everything he owned!

**Zacchaeus Says, "Give your money to those in need." (pretend to pull money from your pockets and hand it outward to others)**

Jesus knew that Zacchaeus was changed and told him, "Today salvation has come to this house."

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**What to Do:**

Print on paper, one for each small group.