



Have fun learning and playing with your preschooler! First, watch the video together to hear God's truth in a way your preschooler can understand and enjoy. Then, follow up with the fun activities below!

ACTIVITY :: STORY PROPS

WHAT YOU NEED > a pillowcase & as many of the following items as you can find [let everyone help gather items]... coins/play money, backpack, sleeping bag, stuffed animal pig/barnyard-animal, sandals or flip flops, pretend jewelry ring, robe

WHAT YOU DO > Put all of the items in a pillowcase. Have each family member take turns pulling an item out and describing how that item fits into today's Bible story. you could even act it out! the main points:

- ✓ A father had two sons
- ✓ The youngest asked his father for his share of the inheritance
- ✓ The father gave the money to his son
- ✓ The son left home for a faraway country
- ✓ The son wasted all his money and got hungry
- ✓ The son found a job taking care of pigs
- ✓ The son decided to return home & beg to come back as servant
- ✓ The father ran to meet him, gave him a hug, and gave him the best robe, a ring, and sandals for his feet
- ✓ The father threw a huge party for his son

WHAT YOU SAY > "Why do you think Jesus told the story?" "How does God, our Heavenly Father, act like the father did in this story?" [adults can answer too!] Tell your kids "It doesn't matter who you are or what you've done, we all need to be forgiven!"

WRAPPING UP > When you're finished, make cleaning up a game! Divide the items evenly among family members. Challenge everyone to see how quickly they can put their items away and return back to the spot everyone is in now. Ready... Set... GO!!!

PRAYER

"God, thank You for sending Jesus so that we could be forgiven! We know that at some point in life, EVERYONE needs to be forgiven. We don't want to stay angry or blow up and do something unkind. Help us to choose to forgive. Thank You for showing us how to do that. We love You. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

REVERB

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 [NirV]

KEY QUESTION

Who has someone forgiven you?

BOTTOM LINE

Everyone needs to be forgiven!