## **Devotional: Forgiving Others**

Children's Devotion on Forgiveness

## Read: Matthew 18:21-35 (NKJV)

This story is an illustration of how God has forgiven us when we asked Him to – and also how we need to have the same forgiving heart and forgive others. It can be real hard at times to forgive. Especially when the person keeps doing the same thing over and over. It's even harder to forgive when the person hasn't asked us or even recognized that they have hurt us. Even in these situations, we need to forgive and let it go. Forgiveness is the key to healing and peace. We have peace in our hearts when we know we have forgiven. We can move on and continue in our walk with God. Often if we haven't forgiven, it can cause us to stumble and not be at peace with God.

Is there someone you need to forgive today? Why not just pray to God and forgive that person?

Here is a prayer you might like to pray. You can put the person's name in it.

Lord Jesus,

I'm sorry I haven't forgiven ...... I forgive them now and ask that you surround them with your love. Help me to see them through your eyes. I pray for your love in my heart toward them. In Jesus name. Amen.

Bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. - Colossians 3:13(NKJV)

Lord, help me to always forgive No matter what others do, Don't let me hold on to bitterness But to give it up to you.

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