

Music Video Loop: Play while kids are coming in.

Transition Song: Let's Go Crazy - <https://vimeo.com/220875082>

Play this video as kids are coming into large group. Encourage them to sing and dance along with you as they come in. The idea is high energy and fun.

Theme Slide: D.I.Y. - Forgiveness is up to you.

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Welcome:

Hi, everyone! My Name is _____. Welcome to Remix/Revolution. We've got a lot of fun coming your way today! And we've already started. I heard that you all were playing games in your small groups already. Who can tell me what you did in your group? (let kids from each group respond)

Raise your hand if you know what D.I.Y. means. (Pause for answers.) That's right! D.I.Y. means 'do it yourself.' When I think of D.I.Y., I think of projects and tools. But D.I.Y. can really be anything you can do yourself!

One really important thing we can all D.I.Y. is forgiveness. You can 'do it yourself' with forgiveness because forgiveness is really up to you! But you need God's help to do it.

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

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Jesus told a really great story to help us understand forgiveness . . . which we'll get to in just a little bit. But first, let's go over the rules so that everyone can have fun. Anyone want to come up here and help me read the rules and consequences along with the Bobby Video? (bring up a kid old enough to read along)

Bobby Rules: <https://vimeo.com/116683116>

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Game:

I've got a fun game we can play that uses some D.I.Y. tools. Let's play:

Name That Tool!

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I've got a few tools here with me today, so I'll hold them up one at a time and see if you know what they are.

Does anybody know what this is?

(Hold up the hammer and pause for responses.)

You got it! It's a hammer! What about this one?

(Hold up the screwdriver and pause for responses.)

Yep! It's a screwdriver! Okay, one more. What's this one?

Hold up one of the pairs of pliers and pause for responses.

These are pliers—and actually, we'll be using them in our other game today. Let me get some volunteers!

(Pick four kids (two pairs of two). Give each of them a pair of pliers, and have them stand behind their buckets.)

When I say, 'Go,' you'll use your pliers—and ONLY the pliers—to remove a money bag from your team's bucket. One money bag at a time!

(Use pliers to pull a money bag out of one of the buckets to demonstrate.)

You'll use the pliers to carry the money bag to the bucket behind you.

(Continue to demonstrate.)

You'll continue to pull out money bags and carry them to your team's bucket in the back. You'll have 60 seconds to get as much money in your bucket as you can.

(Bring the money bag back and put it back in the original bucket.)

Got it? Great! Let's try it. (To audience) Everyone cheer them on, okay? Three . . . two . . . one . . . go!

60 second countdown: <https://vimeo.com/391069758>

(Comment on the action and lead the audience in cheering for the contestants.)

That was incredible! Great job, both teams. Let's give all of our contestants a round of applause as they head back to their seats.

Dismiss kids to their seats.

Now, everyone, you can jump up on your feet, because it's time for us to sing and worship God together.

Get on your feet. It's time for us to sing! When you come to know Jesus, you experience His forgiveness.

There is nothing like the freedom we have in Him. So let's praise Him together as we sing out at the top of our lungs. Here we go!

Song 1: At The Top Of My Lungs

Live: <https://vimeo.com/260078067>

Lyric: <https://vimeo.com/220875173>

Dance Moves: <https://vimeo.com/220877317>

Stay on your feet. This is the best part of my week right now. Turn and give somebody next to you a high five and say, let's sing again! This time is about celebrating all the great things God has done for us.

Song 2: Alive

Live: <https://vimeo.com/266589663>

Lyric: <https://vimeo.com/266589701>

Dance Moves: <https://vimeo.com/266588143>

Since we're already standing up, let's practice our memory verse for this month. We can find this scripture in the bible in Colossians 3:13. Let's repeat it together first and then we'll learn the motions that go along with it. We use these motions to help us remember God's word. Our verse has a lot of words this month so let's pay close attention to what it says.

Memory Verse Slide: 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

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Bible Memory Verse Activity:

Review the Bible memory verse and motions you learned in large group time.

Review the following motions with the children to help them memorize this month's memory verse.

- **Put up with** (move your thumb on right hand from your lip to your chin in a downward motion)
- **one another.** (with your left thumb up and right thumb turned downward, make a circling motion with your thumbs)
- **Forgive** (place left hand flat, palm up then move two fingers on your right hand back and forth down the center of the left hand)
- **one another** (with your left thumb up and right thumb turned downward, make a circling motion with your thumbs)
- **if you are holding something against someone.** (holding – clinch both fists; against – push outward with both hands open; someone – make a small circular motion in the air with your index finger next to your right eye)
- **Forgive,** (place left hand flat, palm up then move two fingers on your right hand back and forth down the center of the left hand)
- **just as the Lord** (make the letter "L" with your pointer finger and thumb on your right hand; then take the "L" sign from your left shoulder and cross to your right side at your waist.
- **forgave you.** (place left hand flat, palm up then move two fingers on your right hand back and forth down the center of the left hand and then point to the audience for "you")
- **Colossians 3:13 (NirV)** (cup hands like a book and then hold up the numbers)

Great job everyone! Please take a seat.

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Intro the Bible Story:

Long ago, Jesus' closest friends were called the disciples. They traveled with Jesus and watched who He interacted with. They listened to His words and saw His miracles in real time. One of those friends was a fisherman named Peter. Among Jesus' friends, Peter was the one who would often speak without thinking. Nothing Peter did was half way. When he got it right, he really got it right. But when he got it wrong, well, let's just say that Peter really messed up.

Peter had lots of questions for Jesus. One such question was on the subject of forgiveness. Peter wanted to know how many times he should forgive his brother or sister who sinned against him. It was an interesting question to ask. During this time, people would often go to special teachers known as rabbis to ask hard questions and get answers. The rabbis taught that people should forgive others who had offended them three times. Peter must have been proud of himself because he asked if seven times was enough and that sounded like a large number, compared to the traditional three. Clearly he was being generous with forgiveness when he asked Jesus if they should forgive others seven times instead of three times.

Jesus' response was incredible and unexpected. He didn't affirm Peter's guess of seven times or even correct him to say three times. Instead, Jesus responded and said... well, let's just watch Brandon, Jon and Kellan on the So & So Show to see what Jesus had to say about forgiveness.

So & So Show:

<https://vimeo.com/391071569>

Jesus often used stories like this one to help people understand God. He told this story, and then He said: Open the Bible to Matthew 18:35 (NirV) and read.
"This is how my Father in heaven will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Bible Verse:

<https://my.bible.com/bible/116/MAT.18.21-35.NLT>

God puts no limit on how much He will forgive. And neither should we! We should forgive others because of the way God forgives us. And this is something we can do ourselves. You can 'do it yourself' with forgiveness because forgiveness is really up to you!

Here's what we need to remember:

Our bottom line is: Forgive others because God forgives you.

Bottom Line Slide: Forgive others because God forgives you.

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You can CHOOSE to forgive. You don't have to wait for someone to tell you to. We've been given forgiveness because of what Jesus did when He died on the cross, so we should ALWAYS forgive others. Remember, forgiving others is an amazing way to treat others the way you want to be treated. And that was our definition of LOVE last month. Forgiveness is an awesome way to show LOVE.

When you think about all the things God has forgiven you for, it can make it easier to forgive others. Forgiving someone who hurt you can be really hard, but God can help you! Let's pray and ask Him to help us right now.

Let's Pray Together:

Dear God, thank You for always loving us and always forgiving us. You loved us enough to send Jesus to die on the cross and pay the price for our sins! Thank You for making a way so that we could experience Your forgiveness for ourselves. Help us to follow Your example and forgive others . . . even when it's hard. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name, amen.

Like we said, it is a choice to forgive others. Nobody can force you to genuinely forgive. We want you to think about a question as you head to Small Group today. Why does forgiveness matter?

Key Question Slide: Why does forgiveness matter?

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Why is it important to let go of the grudges you're holding against others. Knowing the answer to this question will help you make the wise choice when it comes to how you treat the people in your life. Let's head to our small groups and find other ways we can discuss the key question ...

Dismiss to small groups

Play Music video loop as parents are picking up.