

KS1 Unit 9, Lesson 7: Lord's Prayer

Context: This lesson explores Christian beliefs that, just as God gives unconditional forgiveness to them, in the same way they should forgive others.

Overview: What does the teaching of the Lord's Prayer tell us about praying and forgiving others?

Essential core: Link the story of the unmerciful servant to forgiveness in the Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:5-15. (c) Understand that, just as Christians believe that God forgives them, Jesus wants them to forgive everyone (d) That Christians are reminded of these things every time they pray the Lord's Prayer.

Resources: <http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/12/08/an-introduction-to-prayer-and-worship/>
Materials to draw pictures to go with phrases from the prayer on A3 sheets.

INTRODUCTION:

Watch the video of children talking about prayer on RE:quest

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What is prayer? Discuss with partners.

Christians believe prayer is talking to God. Friends often want to spend lots of time with each other. That way they get to know each other very well and enjoy being with each other. Christians believe that talking and listening to God they will grow closer to him.

The disciples saw that Jesus prayed a lot. He often got up very early in the morning before the sun rose and went to a quiet place to pray. They asked Jesus to teach them to pray. He gave them this example of prayer and Christians now call it the Lord's Prayer.

BUILD UP:

Show the lord's prayer text.

Look at the text of the Lord's Prayer with the explanations.

Highlight forgiving others. Where have we heard this before? The parable of the unforgiving servant.

Explain pupils are going to draw pictures to go with phrases from the prayer on A3 sheets. Discuss suitable pictures for each phrase:

TASK:

Our Father: e.g. decorate the words special, holy, God is great, awesome

Your kingdom come: e.g. peaceful scenes

Give us this day: e.g. pictures of food, water

Forgive us our sins: e.g. friends and people making up

Lead us not onto temptation: e.g. a speech bubble with someone shouting and then crossed out.

Remind pupils this next part is not in the Bible but has been added over the years

For yours is the kingdom: e.g. decorate words kingdom, power, glory

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:

Can children explain what the Lord's prayer says about forgiveness?