

## Pray & Dismiss 10 min (includes clean-up)

9:30  
10:45  
12:00

### Pray and Dismiss

[Pray to God | Prayer Activity]

Made to Reflect: an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application

**What You Need:** No supplies needed

#### What You Do:

Ask kids to (silently) think of someone they might need to forgive or someone they've forgiven recently.

Encourage them to pray on their own for a moment or two.

Close in prayer.

#### What You Say:

"Let's pray together and ask God to help us choose to forgive this week, knowing that **[Bottom Line] when you forgive others, it can change them.**

"God, in every situation that's been prayed for already, help each one of us to forgive. When we feel like staying mad or when we find ourselves looking for ways to get even, help us to remember the story of Zacchaeus and choose to forgive. Thanks for loving us, God. Help us to love others. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

As adults arrive to pick up, point out the colored paper towels and encourage the kids to talk about how just like the colored water can change the paper towel, **[Bottom Line] when you forgive others, it can change them.**



"Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave ."  
*Colossians 3:13, (NIV)*

Mar. 8th

2nd/3rd/4th

Week 2

**Bible Story:** Everything Has Changed (Zacchaeus)

*Luke 19:1-10*

**Bottom Line:** When you forgive others, it can change them.

**Life App:** Forgiveness—Deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay

**Basic Truth:** I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

## Everything Has Changed

**WEEK 2** In week two, we find Jesus interacting with an unexpected person in **Luke 19:1-10:** Zacchaeus. He was a tax collector working for Rome. He earned a reputation for taking advantage of his fellow Jews. Zacchaeus was considered an outcast by many. He must have been shocked when Jesus asked to come over for a meal. But when Zacchaeus encountered Jesus, he changed. He went back to those people, asked forgiveness, and returned four times as much money as he took from them.

**Bottom Line:** When you forgive others, it can change them. When God forgives us, it changes us from the inside out. The same can be true when you forgive others. You never know what can happen when you take the first step towards forgiveness. When you decide to reach out and offer forgiveness, it can change the way they see you, the situation, and the impact of their actions.

**Social: Providing Time for Interaction (8:45/10:00/11:15) 10 min**

Early Arriver

**Large Group: (8:55/10:10/11:25) 20 min**

**Bible Story Video & Worship**

**Bible Buck Store** - This week is when **2nd Grade** is going to the Bible Buck Store!

Take a few moments after large group to stop buy and let them shop!

**Groups: Creating a Safe Place to Connect: (9:15/10:30/11:45) 15 min**

Presto, Change-O!

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March- Week 2

## **Social: Providing Time for Fun Interaction: 10 min**

8:45  
10:00  
11:15

*Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Thank God for the moments when you and your relationships have been changed because of forgiveness. Pray that kids would take what they learn today and put it into practice, so that they, too, can experience the life change God has to offer through forgiveness.*

### **Early Arriver**

*Made to Connect: an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding*

**What You Need:** Plastic tablecloth, Play-Doh®

#### **What You Do:**

Cover your Small Group area with the plastic tablecloth.

Welcome the kids as they arrive.

Give each child a lump of Play-Doh, and encourage them to shape their lumps into an object that represents something that happened this week.

As kids finish, let them share about their creations and the event they represent.

Encourage the kids to reshape the lump again to change it into something else that represents something else that happened this week.

Allow kids to share again if time allows.

## **Groups: Creating a Safe Place to Connect 15 min**

9:15  
10:30  
11:45

### **Presto Change-O!**

*Made to Explore: an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery*

**What You Need:** Clear plastic cups, food coloring, paper towels, bottle of water, small tray, "Predictions" Activity Pages, pencils

#### **What You Do:**

Set the three cups on the tray in a row, rims touching.

Pour water into the first and third cup, leaving the middle cup empty.

Squirt 10 drops of yellow food coloring into the first cup. Squirt 10 drops of blue or red food coloring into the third cup.

Fold each paper towel in half and then in half again.

Place one end of the paper towel into the first cup and the other end into the empty cup in the middle.

Place one end of the second paper towel into the third cup and the other end into the empty cup in the middle.

Pass out a "Predictions" Activity Page and a pencil to each child.

Encourage the kids to write their names on the page and then, on the top half, to draw or write what they think will happen to the three cups.

Collect all their Activity Pages and set the tray of cups off to the side to be used during Groups.

#### **What You Say:**

"What do you think will happen to the cup in the middle? We'll check on these a little later to observe what's changed! **[Transition]** In Large Group today, we'll hear about something that can make a big difference and cause a big change to happen. Let's go find out what it is!"

## **Large Group: Power UP; 20 min**

8:55  
10:10  
11:25

Lead your group to the Large Group area.