

SUNDAY SCHOOL TAKE HOME PAGE

To parents:

This page lets you know what your child learned today in Sunday School. Included are "Words to Remember" from the Bible, a suggested activity to reinforce the lesson, and a short prayer. Being involved and interacting with your child can be very rewarding for both of you.

What We Learned:



Today children learned that God is extremely merciful with us and gives us second chances when we sin. God showed the most mercy to us when He sent Jesus to die for our sins so we can go to Heaven and be with Him when we die. We should follow God's example and give mercy to others because He gives us second chances every day. (Scriptures used: Micah 7:18, Ephesians 2:4-5)

Words to Remember:

(Bible versions used are selected to help young children learn and understand the meaning of scripture.)

"You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy." Micah 7:18b NIV



Write the word "MERCY" on 5-10 index cards and hide them throughout a room. Allow your child to find the cards and then discuss with him or her what the word "MERCY" means (getting a second chance when we do something bad) and how the word is spelled. Read the Bible verse and talk about how God feels happiness or delight when He shows us mercy. We should be like God's image and happily give others a second chance. Discuss several ways your child could give a friend or sibling a second chance. Practice this exercise several times this week to help your child remember the verse and reinforce what he or she learned about God during class.

Suggested Parent/Child Activity:



Read the parable of the unmerciful servant in Matthew 18:23-35 (or use a children's Bible to tell the story). Emphasize the mercy of the king, the ungratefulness of the servant, and the servant's punishment for not being merciful. Read the story again while acting out the events with your child. Then review the main idea that we should give mercy to others because God has given us many second chances.



Daily Prayer:

God, thank You for giving us second chances through Your great mercy. Help us give second chances to others because You always give us second chances. We want to show Your love by giving mercy to others. Amen.