



# Gospel Light®

**HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE**  
for ages 2-5 years

**SUMMER A**  
Lesson 4

**Enjoy!**  
*Forgive each other.*  
See Colossians 3:13

Our family enjoys being together when all is well between us. But if one is angry or hurt by another, it is unpleasant for everyone. So we work things out between family members right away to regain peace in the home. It seems that when my kids were little, these issues came up often. I spent a lot of time mediating between my kids when they were little, getting them to talk things out, say “sorry” and “I forgive you.” It took a lot of energy to stay with teaching them to compromise, share or take turns. But the teaching took root, and over the years my role decreased as they worked more things out on their own. I have told them often, “Our home is a safe place for everyone. You are not going to be called names or put down or treated badly here.” Making that a reality takes work—and it’s worth it, not just today but for years to come!

**Try This:**

What does forgiveness look like? In our home we see hugs, a smile, laughter, playing together, after a conflict has been resolved. Does it happen immediately? Not always. Sometimes it requires a time of separation before things are back to normal. But eventually forgiveness looks like two people who have no anger or animosity. Whenever I still see signs of problems, we revisit the situation. Never be afraid to help kids talk through a problem between them until things have been truly mended.