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Religious Studies

LOVE and FORGIVENESS

GRADE 5

SCORE: ____/10/ ____%

Read the curriculum notes and answer the questions.

Love and forgiveness go hand in hand. When you love someone, you always have to forgive their trespasses. It is very important to demonstrate love and forgiveness within the family structure. Families become stronger and more united when love is expressed and forgiveness is freely demonstrated.

Un-forgiveness results in bitterness and this can affect individuals both mentally and physically. It can cause stress, conflict and even severed relationships. It may be difficult to forgive a family member, but when you forgive them you begin the healing process.

The story of Joseph is an excellent example of how forgiveness can bring about reconciliation within the family. Joseph was betrayed by his brothers and sold into slavery. In the end, he was able to forgive his brothers. He realized that all he had experienced was a part of God's plan to save a generation of people. This power to forgive caused his family to be reunited and allowed his father, Jacob, to die in peace.

Problems that arise in the family should be solved in a loving manner. If family members hurt one another they should identify the problem, deal with it calmly and forgive one another.



1. Why is it important to demonstrate love and forgiveness in a family structure?

2. What is the result of un-forgiveness? Circle one.

- a. betterment b. bitterness c. business d. binding

3. People are affected _____ and _____ when there is un-forgiveness.

4. According to the notes, what occurs when you forgive someone?

5. What biblical example is illustrated in these notes? What did he accomplish? [3pts.]

6. If family members hurt each other what should they do?

- a. _____
b. _____
c. _____



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