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Forgiveness Brings

[Hear from God | Memory Verse Activity]

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

What You Need: “Word Search” Activity Page, “Search Answers” Activity Page, pencils, Bibles

What You Do:

- Look up Proverbs 17:17 or let kids recite it from memory.
- Let a couple of volunteers share with the group what the verse means to them in their own words.
- Hand out the “Word Search” Activity Page to each kid.
- Instruct the kids to look at the list at the bottom and find the words in the word search.
- After a few minutes, let kids who have found most of the words help their friends out.
- As they work, ask them to think about the last time they forgave a friend or the last time someone forgave them.
 - Prompt kids to think about how it felt to have their friendship “fixed” through forgiveness.
 - Let any kids share stories if they want to. Help them keep names out of the story, and if needed, help them move stories along if they get too bogged down on details.

What You Say:

“When you get hurt or you hurt someone, your friendships change. A friend loves at all times, and that’s why it’s important to learn to ask for forgiveness when you do something wrong. It’s equally important to learn to forgive those friends who hurt you. When you learn to ask AND give forgiveness you can experience healing, peace, calm, happiness, laughter—all the words you found in this word search. **[Bottom Line] Friends forgive one another.**”

FORGIVENESS BRINGS...

R V A X Y A E M H C B H
F R I E N D S H I P P E
Y A K I N D N E S S P A
P M M R L K Y Z I I E L
Y L L A U G H T E R A I
C H A P P I N E S S C N
R C A L M U Q E V D E G
I W S J L O V E T A B Z



Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → and ↓.

CALM
FRIENDSHIP
HAPPINESS

HEALING
KINDNESS
LAUGHTER

LOVE
PEACE