

Friendship is using your words and actions to show others you care.

DAY 1

Read Colossians 3:13

When a friend messes up, when they forget your birthday, or borrow something without asking, or say something mean without thinking, what do you do? Do you get mad? When they apologize, do you stay mad?

One big part of friendship is learning to forgive. Why? Because your friends aren't perfect. Neither are you. When a friend tells you they're sorry, forgiveness is always the best choice. Why? Because you've been forgiven too! God doesn't hold your mistakes against you. So if you're holding onto something against someone, choose forgiveness because friends forgive each other.

Don't Forget To Forgive

In the verse below, the following letters are missing! Fill in the blanks to complete the verse:

FORGIVE

"Put up w...th ...n... an...th...
n... an...th...
 l... y... a... h...d...ng s...m...th...
 n... a...nst s...m...n...
 just as th...
 l...de... y..."
 C...l...ss...ans 3:13, NIRV

DAY 2

Read Psalm 133:1

In friendship, it can be hard to keep the peace! Especially when you think you're right and the other person is wrong. Look back at today's verse. Who should live in peace? Unscramble the words below to find your answer.

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God wants you to live in peace with the people around you because the people around you were made by God! God loves them just as much as He loves you. And it makes God sad when we let our arguments or disagreements get in the way. It's okay to let a friend know that your feelings were hurt or that their choices were wrong, but it's NOT okay to stay mad and refuse to forgive. If we want to have strong friendships, we have to learn how to forgive and move on.

Find Some Peace

Who do you need to forgive? Stop and pray about it. Tell God why you're upset and ask for help to forgive, just as God's forgiven you. Then, when you're ready, let the other person know that you forgive them and do your best to move