

Children's Sunday School | Sunday, August 16

Genesis 45:1-15 Restoring Forgiveness

Opening Family Prayer

Holy One,
We pray for peace in our world.
Show us the way of forgiveness with the gentle blessing of your love.
Amen.

Read Scripture [Genesis 45:1-15](#) (Bring a drum to quietly beat, while scripture is read out loud today.)

Family Discussion

- Why do you think that Joseph chose to live by different standards and values than others?
- What helps you to remember that God is faithful? What emotions are in this Bible story?
- What do Joseph's actions indicate? In verse 15, what do you think the brothers talked about?
- When Joseph saw his father, Jacob, what do you think they said to each other?

As a Family

Write your own family prayer, praying for peace in your neighborhood, country, or in other countries like Beirut, Lebanon or Israel or Korea. Add a peace sign to your Praying in Color Prayer collage, include where you are praying for peace, your church, your state, or a different country?

Flying Prayers draw or write your prayer on to a sheet of paper, fold the sheet of paper into an airplane, go outdoors in your backyard and fly the airplanes. Take a picture of you flying the planes and send it to Tammy, children@reveilleumc.org.

Make a peace rock using a river rock to paint, draw, or write where you are praying for peace. Prayers for peace in RVA.

Help Others

Drop off school supplies for students at Swansboro Elementary School and help them to have a great start to their school year! [Details](#)

Watch Videos

[Communities Transition](#)

[Sing "This little Light of mine"](#)

After the Videos

Discuss what God is calling your family to do.

Practice singing with your family, "This little light of mine."

Respond

Say [The Lord's Prayer](#) together. Take a nature walk, praise God for the beauty that surrounds you, and leave your God peace rock along the way for a neighbor to be surprised by it.

Remember and Recall

God will help you to forgive others, ask God. Imagine what could happen in the world, when we, like Joseph, reach out in love and forgiveness. Remember God can help you to forgive others, just ask God!

Closing Prayer Video

[Watch the Christian mindfulness family prayer for August 16](#)