

SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Week 2: Fake Forgiveness
Love in Motion

Big Question

What does fake forgiveness look like?

The Verse

Ephesians 4:31-32 NIV

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Order of Experience

Countdown/Hang Out

Icebreaker in Small Groups

Emcee Welcome

Worship

Emcee Transition to Message

Message/Salvation

Offering

Announcements

Activity/Small Group

Small Group Discussion

Check Out

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YouVersion Bible Plan

Make sure students check out the Bible Plan associated with this week:

Selfless: Living An Others-First Kind Of Life

Icebreaker Question

Has there ever been a time in your life when you were really itchy? What did that feel like?

Choose questions for your small group.

- 1. What was your favorite part of the message today? What's one thing you learned?
- 2. Do you have any grudges you care for more than you care for others?
- 3. Does every person deserve forgiveness?
- 4. What does it really take to forgive someone? Can you forgive someone and still feel hurt by them?
- 5. Read **Ephesians 4:31-32 NIV.** How does knowing Christ forgave your sins affect the way you think about forgiving others?
- Take action. If you're holding onto a grudge, try
 replacing that grudge with compassion this week.
 Pray for the person who hurt you. Forgive them as
 Christ forgave you. You'll feel so much better once
 you do.
- 7. Take prayer requests and pray together.

Leader Notes/Announcements

- *Next week is Easter Sunday! Encourage your students to invite their friends to church.
- *Promote **Swerve** to your 6th grade students.
- *Invite your 6th grade students to **Switch** on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm.
- *Tell your students about the **YouVersion Bible Plan**, and encourage them to complete it together as a group or with their families using Plans with Friends.