



# WEEK 4

## ELEMENTARY WORSHIP



### **BIG IDEA**

I am forgiven because  
God loves me.

### **THE BIBLE**

**Confession and Forgiveness:** Psalm 32;  
(1 John 1:9)

#### **MUSIC** | Worship

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Sing a few worship songs with your kids!*

#### **ACTIVITY** | Fact or Fiction

- Now, it's your turn!
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Tell each kid to prepare three statements about themselves, two statements being truths and one untrue and write them down. Go around and tell each kid to read their statements while others guess which is true and which is not.*
- It can be hard to tell when something is or isn't true. Although we were making things up just for fun in our game, sometimes, we tell people things that aren't true that isn't a game. The Bible calls this lying and it's unkind.

#### **THE BIG IDEA** | I am forgiven because God loves me.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Distribute a "Hello my name is" name badge to each kid. Have them write "Forgiven" instead of their names. Have them walk around and "introduce" themselves to each other by saying "Hi, I'm forgiven. Nice to meet you!"*
- This week's Big Idea: **I am forgiven because God loves me!**



### SCRIPTURE | Psalm 32

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Look up the story in your Bible and encourage the kids to do the same. Read it!*
- This psalm is all about how God forgives us because God loves us! Forgiveness means that God doesn't hold our sin and mistakes against us. Instead, God let's go of all the things we do wrong and gives us another chance. No matter how many times we mess up, God will always give us another chance. We confess our sins, which means we tell God that we know what we did wrong, and we ask for forgiveness. The best part is that God loves us so much that Jesus forgives us before we even ask! It's important to confess even though we are already forgiven to show God that we know what we've done and want to do better with our next chance. When we confess to God, God shows us that Jesus has taken away all the bad things in our hearts and helps us do the right thing! God always forgives us, because God loves us.

### DISCUSSION

- **What is sin?**
- **What does it mean to confess sin?**
- **Why is it important to tell God about the wrong things we've done?**
- **Read Psalm 32:3-5. What do you think happens if we don't confess our sin?**
- **What makes it hard for you to confess when you do something wrong?**
- **How do you show forgiveness to someone?**
- **How do you know God forgives you when you confess your sin?**

### PRAYER

- Thank You, God, for Your forgiveness. I know there are many things I do wrong. I am very happy You love me and will always forgive me. Help me remember to always tell You about my sin and to always remember that You forgive me.

### ACTIVITY | Forgiveness Bracelet

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Help the kids string pony beads onto twine or yarn to make a bracelet. Explain that just like a friendship bracelet reminds us we will always be friends, a forgiveness bracelet reminds us that God will always forgive us because God will always love us. You can also include letter beads that spell, "Forgiven."*
- This bracelet is going to serve as a reminder to you that you are forgiven because God loves you.

### MEMORY VERSE | Chipmunk Choir

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Since this series is called, "Sing!" try different ways to sing the memory verse. This week, encourage the kids to sing the memory verse in whatever melody they want in their best chipmunk voice!*