

Statement to live by



I try to accept forgiveness from others

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Lighting the candle is a sign that we come together
with Jesus.

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The pictures on the slide are our focal point today.

They contain some images of people who are trying to forgive others or accept forgiveness



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Today we are going to be thinking about how Jesus was able to accept and forgive those who said sorry. It's sometimes hard for us to say sorry.

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It's also hard to show we are sorry but sometimes it's even harder to accept and be OK with other people when they tell us they are sorry. Sometimes we want to sulk or stay angry or just refuse to speak to and play with the other person.

The Word of God

Leader:

St. Luke, one of the 4 gospel writers or evangelists as we call them told a story about Jesus when he was dying. Two thieves were also on crosses – one on either side of Jesus. One made fun of Jesus but the other was sorry for the wrong he had done in life and asked if Jesus would remember him. Listen to what Jesus said.....

The Word of God

Leader:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord.

(Sign the head, lips and heart).

The Word of God

One of the men on the cross made fun of Jesus saying, “If you are a real king why don’t you save us all?”

The other man told him to be quiet because Jesus had done nothing wrong. Then he said to Jesus, “Please remember me. Don’t ever forget me”

Jesus said, “I will remember you today and you will be with me always”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Action/Response

Do you think Jesus accepted the man's expression of sorrow? **TTYP**

Action/Response

What should we do if someone asks to be forgiven?

TTYP

Action/Response

We know that God always accepts our expressions of sorrow. Let's pause for a moment and in the silence of our hearts thank God for Loving and accepting and forgiving us always. Nothing ever stops God loving us. ...

Prayer and response

Action/Response

Let us reflect quietly on a time when we
may have found it hard to accept
forgiveness

Action/Response

Let us end our time of prayer by praising God for loving and forgiving us and always accepting our expressions of sorrow. Let us all try to do the same whenever someone tells us they are sorry.



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