

Lord's Prayer

Fifth Petition

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Read Isaiah 1:18 Matthew 6:14-15 & 7:17 & 18:22, 1 John 1:8-9, Acts 3:19, Colossians 1:13-14

For a more in depth look at the Catechism, you can read Luther's explanation in the Large Catechism found in the Book of Concord or online at

<http://www.bookofconcord.org/lc-5-ourfather.php>

1. Talk about the difference between saying, "That's OK" and "You're forgiven" when someone apologizes to you. Which one is easier for you to say? Why do you think that's the case?
2. Watch the video again as it discusses the two ways people react to Jesus' forgiving people. Why do you think people would be offended by Jesus' forgiveness? Think of it this way, in order to be forgiven what must have happened first?
3. Talk about the word "sin" and the way people react to being called "sinner." Is that something you're comfortable with? Why or why not?
4. What happens to you when you don't forgive someone who has hurt you, or sinned against you? How does that affect you?
5. When Jesus says, "...as we forgive those who sin against us" is he telling us we need to forgive others before He will forgive us? Talk about what makes you answer the question the way you answered it.
6. When you have faith in Jesus' forgiving you all your sin, do you think that affects your ability to forgive other people for what they have done to you? If so, how?