



Read Me First


READ EPHESIANS 4:26.

God invites you to forgive every day. When you've wronged somebody, don't wait to ask for forgiveness. Talk to God and then go to the person you've wronged. Be quick in taking steps to fix the problem.

 **Make plans to watch the sunset tonight with your family. Think about what may need to be forgiven and take care of it before the day is over.**

 **Ask God to forgive you and to help you forgive others.**

Read Me Next Day 1

 **Put a small pebble in your shoe. Walk around for five minutes. When you feel the pebble hurt your foot, think about the way it feels to carry around hurt and bad feelings.**

READ PSALM 32:1-2.


When you finally took the stone out of your shoe, it felt a lot better, didn't it? That's how it is when you ask for and receive forgiveness. It feels good to be forgiven and to forgive others.


 **Tell God why you're glad He forgives you.**

Read Me Next Day 2

It's not easy to be the first one to forgive, but God will help you take that step even if it feels impossible. He does impossible stuff every day! If you follow in His steps and ask His help, you'll be able to do hard things, too.

READ PHILIPPIANS 4:13.

 **Draw some footprints on the back of this card. In each one, write something you can say or do to take the first step in making things right with someone.**


 **Ask God to help you keep things right with your friends and family, even if it feels impossible.**


Read Me Next Day 3

Be ready to take the first step more than once. Forgiveness isn't always a once-and-for-all action. There are people you might need to forgive EVERY day, such as your little brother or older sister. Forgiving can be tiring.

Some days you might feel like giving up, getting even, or staying mad. Not a good idea. Keep doing what's right.

READ 2 THESSALONIANS 3:13.

 **Get permission to decorate a pillowcase. Using permanent markers or T-shirt paint, write the words of 2 Thessalonians 3:13 around the edge of it, like a border.**

 **Kneel beside your bed and read the words written on your pillowcase. Put your head on the pillow and ask God to help you never get tired of forgiving others.**

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