

## **TUESDAY: LOWER ELEMENTARY SG GUIDE**

### **WHAT YOU NEED:**

- “Live It Out Field Guide” with “Merit Badge Stickers”, coloring supplies, foam heart balls;  
Inclusive Optional Supplies: smiley face stickers

### **WHAT YOU SAY:**

- Have you ever done something you didn’t mean to? (Invite responses.) Sometimes we don’t mean to hurt others, but we do it anyway. We make mistakes. Sometimes we get upset and use hurtful words, or we do something we’ve been told not to do. When we decide to do something to hurt ourselves or others, that’s called sin. God wants us to learn to forgive others. It feels good to be forgiven, and it feels good to forgive one another. We can have a relationship with God because Jesus died for our sins! That’s how important forgiveness is to God. All of us need forgiveness. God has forgiven us through Jesus, so we should forgive others. It’s not always easy to forgive! When you put your faith in Jesus, you have the Holy Spirit living inside you to help you do hard things like love and forgive other people.

### **WHAT YOU DO:**

- Give each kid a “Live It Out Field Guide” and a pen or pencil.
- Remind kids that this guide can help them talk to God as they learn how to love like Jesus.
- Set out the coloring supplies.
  - Skip over Day 2....Explain that Day 2 is an extra day that they can work on at home
- Point out the third section of the guide.
- Help kids locate the word “forgive” within the Bottom Line: Forgive one another.
  - Ask the kids to share some ideas for how they forgive one another. (For example: When a sibling upsets you, be quick to forgive; when a parent cancels plans you were excited about, choose understanding; etc.)
- In the blank space, direct kids to either write the word “forgive” in a fun, colorful way or draw a picture of a cross.
- Give each kid the third merit badge sticker to place in their guide.
- Explain that when kids see the sun, they can remember we can have a relationship with the Creator of the universe because God has forgiven us through Jesus.

### **WHAT YOU PRAY:**

- “Dear God, thank You for loving us and keeping us safe today. Help us to love one another. We want to treat others the way we want to be treated. Help us love others like Jesus does so the people around us can see Your light shining through us. In Jesus’ name, amen.”

### **AS YOU FINISH:**

- Collect each “Live It Out Field Guide” and set aside for the next day.