

It's a job to be Job!—Kids' Lesson #25  
Job 42:7-17, Luke 6:35

**Hook:** What kind of friend are you? Don't answer out loud, but think to yourself: "Am I kind? Do I say nice words and tell the truth? Do I share my toys? Do I take turns and play fair?" It's good to think about these things and remember to be careful to be a good friend...even to our brothers and sisters!

**Book:** This is our last lesson about Job. And, here's how the story ends...God was angry with Job's three friends because they did not speak the truth about Him. God told the three friends to make sacrifices for their sin and that Job would pray for them. I bet it wasn't easy for Job to pray for those friends who said untrue things, but Job obeyed God and prayed. The Lord accepted Job's prayer and the friends were not punished.

After Job prayed, friends and family came to comfort him. They told him they were sorry and brought him gifts and everyone ate together. Then, the Lord gave Job even more wealth than before and blessed him with 10 more children. Job was given a good, long life after having gone through such terrible time. That's a true story with a happy ending! God loved Job and took care of him to the last detail.

**Look:** The Bible tells us many times that we are to forgive our enemies. Job's friends had become his enemies. Do you have a friend who makes you mad sometimes? It's not easy to love someone who isn't kind or who doesn't treat you fairly. But, God not only wants you to love that person, He wants you to pray for him/her. The Bible says: "**Love your enemies. Pray for those who hurt you**" (Matt. 5:44b NIRV).

**Took:** Raise your hand if you can tell me one way to love someone even when that person says something mean, doesn't share or is unkind in some way. (*You may want to offer an idea of your own to get the kids started.*) Now, let's pray that we can obey God and forgive people when they hurt us.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, help us to love and forgive others because You love and forgive us. Amen."

**Bible Verse:** "Love your enemies. Pray for those who hurt you" (Matt. 5:44b NIRV).

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(The Learning Continues—Job Lesson #25)



**What We Learned:** The Bible tells us to forgive our enemies. Job's friends had become like enemies to him. God wants us to not only love our enemies, but to pray for them as well.



**Memory Verse:** “Love your enemies. Pray for those who hurt you.” Matthew 5:44b



### Parent/Child Activity:

Brainstorm with your child about some ways you can both love someone even when that person has said something mean, or doesn't share or is unkind in some way. Then pray the prayer together below.



**Daily Prayer:** “Dear Lord, Help us to love and forgive others because You love and forgive us no matter what. Amen.”