

Early Foundations Curriculum

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Deanna's Doll



Verse For Sin and Forgiveness Month

For all have sinned and
fall short of the glory of
God.

Romans 3:23

Parent/child weekly study

Deanna was sad because Rebecca took her doll. Has a friend ever taken a toy from you?

How did that make you feel? What did you do?

When have you had to forgive someone? Was it hard?

Is there anyone you need to forgive now? For what?

Deanna was very, very sad.

Her favorite doll was missing, and she was sure that her friend Rebecca had taken it.

“Mom, I know that Rebecca took my doll, she’s not my friend anymore,” said Deanna as a tear rolled down her cheek.

Deanna thought for a moment. She was still a little angry with Rebecca, but she also knew that Jesus tells us to forgive others.

"I forgive you," she said. "Let's play with her together."

Rebecca did the right thing when she returned Deanna's doll. She knew that it was a sin to take something that was not hers.

Deanna also did the right thing when she forgave Rebecca.

It is important that we forgive others just like Jesus forgives us when we sin.





“I know sweetie,” said her mom.

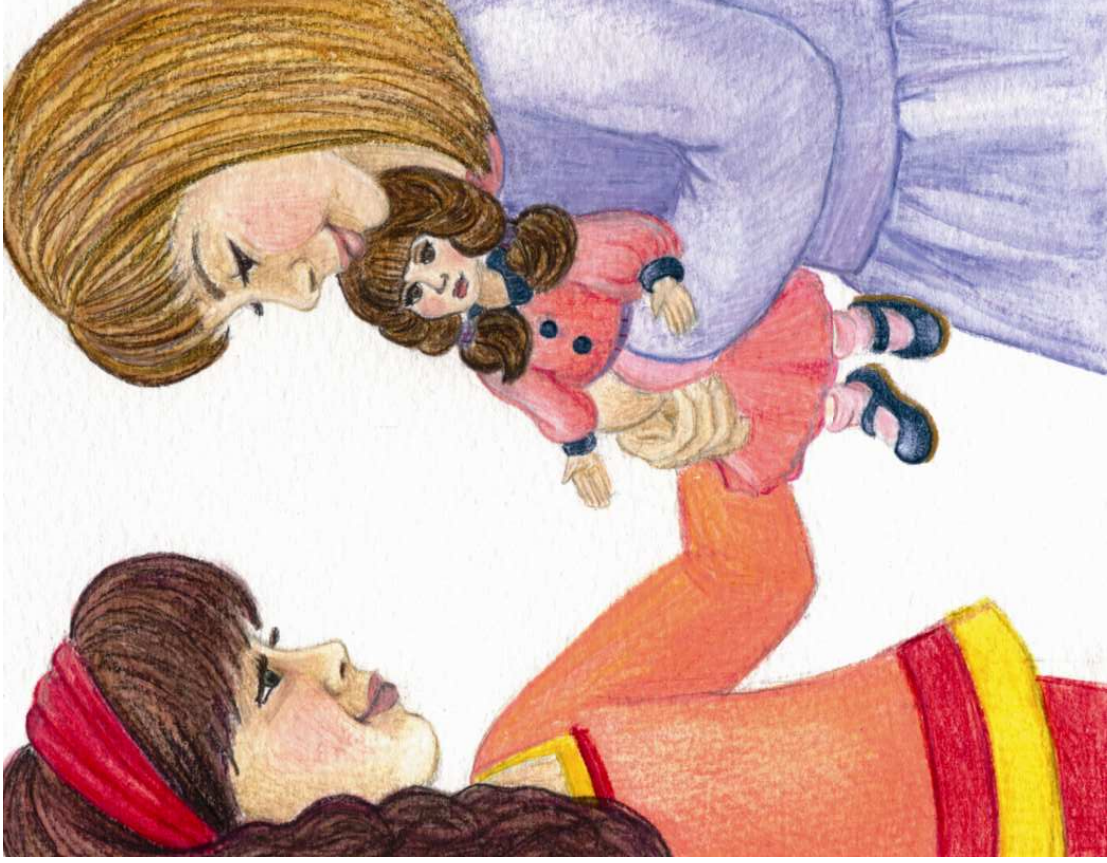
“We’ll talk to Rebecca tomorrow and see if she has your doll.”

Deanna could hardly sleep that night because she missed her doll so much.



“Oh thank you, thank you,” said
Deanna hugging her toy close to her.

“I’m sorry I took your doll,” said
Rebecca. “I know it was wrong. Do you
forgive me?”



The next day when Rebecca came to Deanna's house, Deanna asked her, "Do you have my doll?"

"Yes," replied Rebecca, "I love your doll, I want to keep her."

"But she is my favorite toy, you can't have her," said Deanna. She was afraid that Rebecca wouldn't give her doll back.



Now Rebecca was sad. She knew that taking Deanna's doll was a sin.

She would have to give it back, because Jesus tells us not to sin.

"O.K." she said, "I'll give her back."

Then she reached in her bag and took out Deanna's doll.