

SEPTEMBER 13: FORGIVENESS SOAP 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INCLUDED:

- Plastic cup
- Soap base
- Popsicle stick
- Mini eraser

USE YOUR OWN:

- Microwave safe cup
- Cooking spray



MATTHEW 18:21-35



Peter approached Jesus and asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.’ Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, ‘Pay back what you owe.’ Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.’ But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?’ Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart.”

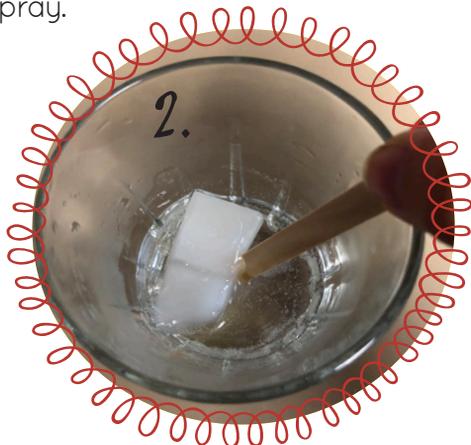
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THE MASS BOX



1.

1. We're making forgiveness soap today to remember how we are called to forgive, over and over! Just like we have to wash our hands, over and over. Coat the cup's inside lightly with cooking spray.



2.

2. Put half your soap base square in a microwave safe cup. With an adult, microwave it for 30 seconds then stir. Keep microwaving for 10 second intervals until it is completely melted.



3.

3. Be careful - the melted soap is hot! With an adult, pour the soap into the mold. Jesus talks about how important it is to reconcile and forgive each other in today's reading. Read it again while you wait!

4. Put the eraser on the soap. Melt the other half of the soap and pour it on.



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5.

5. Let the soap cool for 2 hours. After it is hardened, turn the mold over to pop out your new forgiveness soap! Every time you use it, remember that we are called to forgive each other.

