



# Closing Huddle

## Day 3

**Bible Point:** Jesus forgives me! Thank you, Jesus!

**Bible Verse:** "As far as the east is from the west, God has forgiven us." Psalm 103:12

**Story: Mary Anoints Jesus - John 12:1-8**

**Materials Needed:**

- Everyday use: Yoga mats or carpet squares, one per kid
- Bucket of water
- Rice paper, one per participant
- Washable Markers
- Clean and dirty bins
- Stir stick
- Bible Buddy Button Pin, one per participant

**Set Up:**

- Place yoga mats/ carpet squares out in groups of hop, skip, and jump
- Each crew should have a one piece of rice paper and marker per participant

**What to do:**

**Introduce it!**

- **Crew Check In:** Sit in crews on yoga mats,, check in with them about the day, and wait as other groups gather

**Music:** *I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy; Ho, Ho, Ho, Hosana; In the Beginning, etc.*

- **Discuss it:** What is one thing you learned today about Jesus?
- **Share it:** Let each crew share what they learned, and then say: Jesus' love is abundant! It is overflowing! It is for all people! Jesus loves you and me. Jesus forgives you and me.
- **Practice the Bible Point:**  
**Leader says:** Jesus forgives me!  
**Participants say:** Thank you, Jesus!

**Music:** *This Little Light of Mine*

**Close It Out!**

Set up a bucket of water in the well. The warmer the water, the better. Have a small sheet of rice paper for each participant as well as one soluble/ washer marker.

Say: Jesus forgives us in all that we do, and because of that, we can forgive others.

What to do:

1. If possible, play some quieter music.
2. On the piece of paper, write or draw with a soluble/ washable marker one thing that you need to be forgiven for or need to forgive someone else.
3. Crew leaders can help participants process this with participants.
4. Once done, each participant can drop their paper into the warm well water.
5. The person tending the well can stir the papers around.
6. Let paper sit until the end of the closing huddle.

**Leader says:** Jesus forgives me!

**Participants say:** Thank you, Jesus!

*Music: God is So Good*

**Debrief it!**

- **Huddle Questions:** How does it feel to forgive someone? How does it feel to be forgiven? Jesus forgives us, how might that make us like Mary, and give Jesus praise?
- **Repeat After Me Bible Verse:** “As far as the east (point east) is from the west (point west), God (point up) has forgiven us (point to self).” (Psalm 103:12)

*Music: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Praise Ye the Lord*

- **Practice the Bible Point**

**Leader says:** Jesus forgives me!

**Participants say:** Thank you, Jesus!

- **Pass Out Bible Buddy:** (button pin) Say: Lucky, the Duck, our Bible buddy for today, reminds us that Jesus forgives all people, and so can we! That makes you one lucky duck!

**Pray it out!**

For each crew, have the participants and leaders place their mats/ carpet squares in a circle.

With a drum, play an even beat while kids hop, skip, or jump from mat to mat, square to square.

Say this prayer:

Dear God,

Today

we hop-hop-hop, (everyone hops)

we skip-skip-skip, (everyone skips)

we jump-jump-jump (everyone jumps)

as we pray, and thank you for Jesus who comes to play,

with us now and every day!  
Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are yours,  
Now and forever.  
Amen.

Once done, invite participants to look into the well. All the words and drawings needing forgiveness have disappeared.