

Choices - God Has Forgiven You

God is always loving and forgiving. God is full of mercy and compassion. God always loves you, but does not like sin.

Read the story of the Prodigal son. *God Story 3* page 102, Luke 15: 11-32, as far as ".....He ran to the boy and hugged and kissed him."



Questions for discussion

- Q What did the younger son choose to do with his money?
- Q What were the consequences of his choices?
- Q What do you think it means in the story when it says: 'he came to his senses'?
- Q What did he plan to say to his father?
- Q What words did he use that meant he had done wrong?
- Q What does the story tell us about the father?
- Q Who is the father like?

Activity

- Imagine you are the son. Write a letter to your father asking for his forgiveness. Tell your story, giving reasons for your thoughts and actions.

Learning Log Homework

Look at the picture of the Prodigal Son by Rembrandt. You may wish to research in more detail the deeper meaning behind the painting

Talk about what is happening, what the characters might be thinking. Think about the colour aspects of this painting. Why might this be symbolic?



Imagine you work in an art gallery. Create a detailed information leaflet all about this painting to explain to people visiting the art gallery. Think about the following in particular: What is the picture about and what meaning it might have for life.