



# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Wisdom 12:13, 16–19 • Romans 8:26–27 • Matthew 13:24–43

## Family Car Talk

In today’s responsorial psalm, we pray, “Lord, you are good and forgiving.” This means that God does not give up on us when we make mistakes. God is patient, kind, and always ready to forgive. Jesus teaches that God lets people grow over time instead of judging too quickly. When we mess up, we don’t need to hide from God—we can come back and begin again.

As you go home, talk about how it feels to be forgiven.



**B Beginner:** How does it feel when someone forgives you?



**I Intermediate:** Why do you think forgiving can be hard sometimes?



**A Advanced:** How does knowing God is forgiving help you try again? Share about a time when someone forgave you and it helped you love deeper.



## GOD IS GOOD AND FORGIVING

**Instructions:** Finish each sentence to show how God is good and forgiving.



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# MATCH THE WORD TO THE MEANING

**Instructions:** Match each word to what it means. These words describe God.

Words:

Forgiving

Patient

Good

Merciful

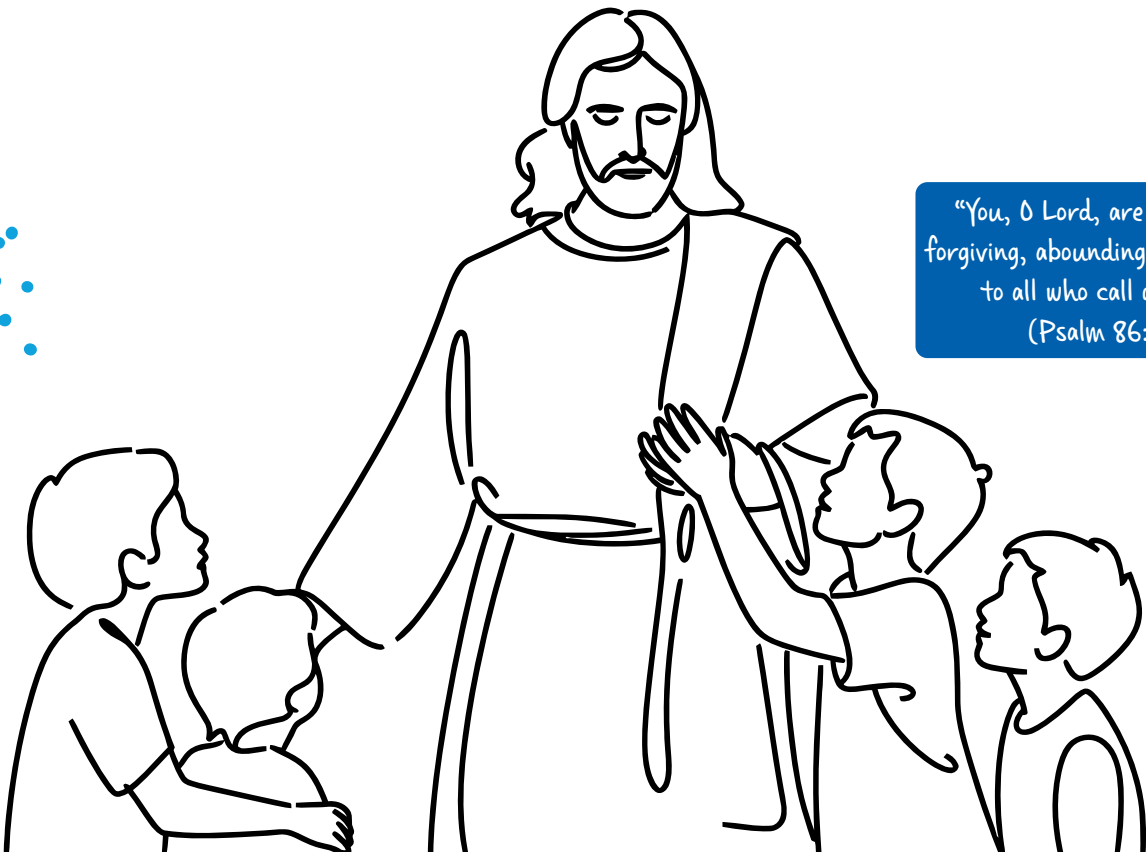
Meanings (scrambled):

Loves us and wants our good

Shows kindness when we mess up

Doesn't give up on us

Gives us time to grow



"You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in kindness to all who call on you. (Psalm 86:5)"