The Alley Rundown- March 11th/12th

"Everyone needs forgiveness, even me."

CG: Fix It Up

1. **Connect Game:** Samurai

Create a circle with tape on the floor. Give 2 kids a helmet with a balloon attached and a foam sword (pool noodle). The goal is to hit the balloon off the other kids' head. However, they also have to stay within the circle. If they step out of the circle, they lose the game. Continue as many rounds as you want.

2. WORSHIP

3. Playing Bible Lesson:

"Parkview Kids, how are you doing today? (Pause) Awesome, welcome to the Alley, my name is [Host's name] and glad you decided to hang out with us. We are in the second week of our series called Fix It Up. We are looking at how to re-build our friendships. We do that with this thing I call forgiveness."

"Forgiveness is deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay."

(Need a small stack of Jenga Blocks) "I like to think of forgiveness is like these Jenga blocks. Our friendships and relationships with other people are like these blocks. We hang out with someone and it makes our friendships stronger. However, when you make them angry or they make you angry, you have one of two options. You can A forgive that person or B choose to not forgive that person. If you choose to forgive, nothing happens to the tower, but if you don't. (Push block tower over). It can come tumbling down."

"Today we are looking more at God's forgiveness. If you were here last week we learned that God isn't angry at us for not listening. God instead chooses to forgive rather than make us pay. All we have to do is ask and God is willing to forgive us."

"Some of you might be thinking, 'I'm not that bad, I'm a pretty good person, God won't make me pay. Why would God be angry with me?' Well, let's take the 'perfect test,' you don't have to raise your hands, just think about it."

How many of you have ever said a bad word by accident or on purpose? How many of you ever hurt someone like a younger brother or sister? How many of you have ever cheated on a test? Taken something that was not yours? How many of you have ever wanted something that someone else had? Ok, how many of you have lied about any of those previous questions?"

"I have got some bad news for you. You're not perfect. That's ok because Parkview is a place for people who aren't perfect. We all have our imperfections and we need someone to forgive us for when have messed up. Luckily, that's what today's story is about."

"If you haven't been with us this month, we are looking at parables of Jesus. These were made up stories that Jesus told to help his followers better understand what God wanted them to do. Today's is one of Jesus' most famous parables. So face towards the screen and check out today's video."

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2. Ask Relate Questions:

- What's the dumbest thing you have ever had to spend your money on?
- Do you think we are lost like the Son? Why or why not? (Yes, we have all sinned and we cannot get into heaven by ourselves).
- What does it mean to repent? (To turn the other way).
- How do we gain forgiveness? (Ask God for it and the ABC's of faith).

Dismiss to Small Groups