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# They're laughing at me

Kaylee came home from school in tears. "I got into trouble for mucking around in class, and when Mrs D told me off, the other kids laughed at me; even Taylor and Chloe. And they're supposed to be my friends. And now that kookaburra above the clothes line is laughing at me too," she cried.

Australian kookaburras are known all around the world for their laughing call. It can start with a short chuckle and end up in a long and loud koo koo hoo hoo hoo hoo haa haa haa. Some people call them Laughing Jackasses. A jackass is a fool, and like people who laugh at the wrong times, they can sound like fools.

## Listen to God

### Obadiah verses 11,12 and 15

God's people in Judah had done wrong and God was punishing them. Their neighbours in Edom just stood by and laughed. God said Edom would be punished for treating Judah like that. Have you ever been laughed at when you were in trouble? Have you ever laughed when someone else was in trouble?



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## Talk to God

Dear heavenly father, I'm sorry for the times I have laughed or teased other people in trouble. Please help me to treat others kindly and lovingly.

<p>Make a list of how <b>NOT</b> to treat others.</p>	<p>Make a list of how to treat others. (see Colossians 3:12-14 for ideas)</p>
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