

YOU TAKE THE POISON OF YOUR UNFORGIVENESS.
 YOU LOCK YOURSELF UP IN YOUR OWN PRISON.
 YOU ARE CONSUMED WITH REVENGE.
 YOU ARE UNABLE TO RESOLVE THE HURT.
 YOU ARE UNABLE TO HAVE OTHER
 MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS.

3. HOW DO I _____ FORGIVING?

“And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father’s house.” (Genesis 41:51)

“And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God? 20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.” (Genesis 50:19-20)

- A. Deal with situations _____ while they are small.
- B. Constantly be _____ of your forgiveness by Christ.
- C. Keep having “_____.”
- D. Relationships are more about what we _____ to forget about each other than memories made with each other!

CONCLUSION

Have you ever experienced forgiveness? Then give what you have received.



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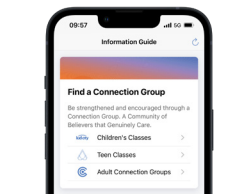
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FORGIVENESS IS NOT FORGETTING FORGIVENESS IS A PROMISE

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Text: Psalm 103:2–3, 10–12

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: 3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;” (Psalm 103:2–3)

“He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. 11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. 12 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.” (Psalm 103:10–12)

INTRODUCTION

An omniscient, immutable God cannot forget, but He can promise to not bring up or hold over us our past sins. He can promise not to deal with us or reward us according to our iniquities. He can promise to blot out and cast all of our sins into the depth of the sea.

1. WHAT IS _____ ?

A choice of love to erase an offenders debt and no longer be their judge.

“But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.” (Isaiah 53:5)

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.” (Isaiah 53:6)

“He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.” (Isaiah 53:11)

Quote: “It is surprising how few, even within the church, are acutely aware of this battle that is fought unceasingly.”—**Philip Keller**

A. A _____ ...

A ONE-TIME ACT AND YET A PROCESS OF GOING BACK TO THE ACT.

B. ...of _____ ...

NO GREATER ACT OF LOVE THAN TO FORGIVE ONE OF THE HURT THEY HAVE CAUSED YOU.

C. ...to erase an _____ debt...

“Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.” (Matthew 18:27)

THE OFFENDER CANNOT PAY YOU WHAT THEY OWE.

D. ...and no longer be their _____ .

AFTER FORGIVENESS, GOD BECOMES OUR ABBA FATHER AND NO LONGER OUR JUDGE.

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.” (Romans 8:1)

OUR FOCUS NOW IS NOT ON THE HURT, BUT THE HEALING.

“And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. 20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ’s stead, be ye reconciled to God. 21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.” (2 Corinthians 5:18–21)

2. WHY DO I _____ TO FORGIVE?

A. Because You Were _____ So Much!

“And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven you.” (Ephesians 4:32)

THE BASIS TO ALL YOUR FORGIVENESS IS WHAT CHRIST HAS FORGIVEN YOU OF.

NO ONE HAS EVER DONE TO YOU WORSE THAN WHAT YOU DID TO JESUS CHRIST.

B. Because of the _____ of Unforgiveness

“Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: 33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee? 34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. 35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.” (Matthew 18:32–35)