



## Forgiveness

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**2 Cor. 2:10-11 (NIV)** *If you forgive anyone, I also forgive him. And what I have forgiven--if there was anything to forgive--I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake, [11] in order that Satan might not outwit us...*

**Matthew 18:21-35 (NLT)** *Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" [22] "No!" Jesus replied, "seventy times seven!" [23] "For this reason, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him. [24] In the process, one of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars. [25] He couldn't pay, so the king ordered that he, his wife, his children, and everything he had be sold to pay the debt. [26] But the man fell down before the king and begged him, 'Oh, sir, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.' [27] Then the king was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt. [28] "But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment. [29] His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for a little more time. 'Be patient and I will pay it,' he pleaded. [30] But his creditor wouldn't wait. He had the man arrested and jailed until the debt could be paid in full. [31] "When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him what had happened. [32] Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. [33] Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?' [34] Then the angry king sent the man to prison until he had paid every penny. [35] "That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters in your heart."*

**1 John 1:9 (NLT)** *But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong.*

**Lament. 3:23 (NLT)** *Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each day.*

### ~Two Questions About Forgiveness~

1. Why should I \_\_\_\_\_?

A) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ephes. 4:26 (NLT)** *And "don't sin by letting anger gain control over you." Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry...*

B) \_\_\_\_\_.

C) You are not \_\_\_\_\_.

D) Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ you.

**John 19:30 (NLT)** *...he said, "It is finished!" Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.*

2. How do I \_\_\_\_\_?

A) \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive.

B) \_\_\_\_\_, even if they are not there.

C) When you forgive, \_\_\_\_\_ forgive.

*Matthew 18:15 (TEV) "If your brother sins against you, go to him and show him his fault. But do it privately, just between yourselves. If he listens to you, you have won your brother back."*

D) Forgive \_\_\_\_\_.

*Col. 3:13 (NLT) You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.*

*Matthew 6:12 (NIV) Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.*

E) Forgive \_\_\_\_\_.

F) Forgiving doesn't meant \_\_\_\_\_.

G) Forgiving doesn't mean \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ must be granted it can't be earned;  
\_\_\_\_\_ can't be granted, it must be earned.