September 21st, 2025 Worship Services-8:30 & 10:30 AM Randy Patten

"Forgiveness Basics"

(With Randy Patten)

Introduction

1. This Topic Deserves Your Careful Attention

- A. Mankind's greatest ______ is forgiveness (Romans 6:23)
- B. Forgiveness is necessary for ______ (Colossians 2:13)
- C. Christ followers are commanded to forgive ______ in the same way God has forgiven us (Ephesians 4:32)
- D. Seeking and _____ forgiveness is a prerequisite to mutual love, the strongest argument for the Christian faith (John 13: 35)
- E. Unreconciled relationships between Christians ______ evangelism and robs churches of a positive community witness

2. What Forgiveness is Not

A. A _____ (Luke 17:3-10)

- 1) Forgiveness is to be granted when a sinner repents, regardless of how you feel at the time (v.3)
- 2) Forgiveness is to be granted repeatedly on the same day if a sinner repeatedly professes repentance (v. 4)
- 3) Forgiveness, at its root, is a matter of obedience (vv.5-10)

- 1) There is no command in the Bible telling us to forget before we forgive
- 2) There is no Scriptural support for the statement, "If you haven't forgotten, you haven't forgiven."
- 3) Forgetting is a frequent byproduct of granting forgiveness, but not always
- 4) References to God forgetting are statements of God promising not to remember our sins against us (Isaiah 43:25; Jeremiah 31:34)

- 1) Excusing is a form of minimizing sin, of not taking sin seriously
- 2) Excusing is calling sin something other than what God calls it

3. What It Means to Forgive

A. L	Definition: "Forgiveness is a lifting of the charge of
	from another, a formal declaration of that fact and a promise,
	both made and kept, never to remember the wrong against him
	in the future." (Adams, The Theology of Christian Counseling)

B. To pass over an	and free the offender
from the guilt of it.	

- C. To give up your right for _____
- D. "I forgive you" is a _____ that:
- 1) I will not use this against you in the future
- 2) I will not talk to others about this in the future to use it against you
- 3) I will not dwell on it myself



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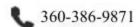
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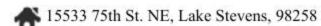
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*Each Worship Service has a Discipleship Hour running at the same time in the Upper Room.

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Young Ladies' Groups:

Daughters of the King, Little
Women, and Rosebuds will be
meeting on Tuesday,

October 7th, from 1-3PM at CBC,

and will continue monthly on the first
Tuesday. Register your kids in the
Foyer if you plan to join!



For young ladies, ages 5-7
Led by Counie Mace

Little Women

For young ladies, ages 8-12 Led by Deborah Large



Young Ladies, Ages 13-18 Led by Lois Green

4. When to Grant Forgiveness

A. When there is	(Luke 17:3)
B. Every time there is a	of repentance
(Matthew 18:21-22)	

5. Forgiveness Distinctions

A.	The Bible	both judicial forgiveness and
	parental forgiveness	

- B. Forgiveness for our sins is available but it is _____ automatic (Psalm 86:5; Romans 10:9,10)
- C. Forgiven people (Christians) need ______ forgiveness (Matthew 6:12b-15; 1 John 1:9)
- D. God expects ______ people to be forgiving people (Matthew 18:21-35)
- E. Forgiving people choose to ______ on how much they have been forgiven, rather than on how much they have been sinned against

CONCLUSION

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