



The Impact of Forgiveness

Genesis 32-33

What does the Bible teach?

God has forgiven us, so we are to forgive others. (1 John 1:9, Colossians 3:13, Matthew 6:14-15, Mark 11:25, Ephesians 4:32, Matthew 18:21-22)

Reach out and deal with the issue. (Genesis 32:1-8)

Ask God to help you find forgiveness or give forgiveness. (Genesis 32:9-12)

Give forgiveness even when a person does not “deserve” it. (Genesis 33:4)

Allow reconciliation to take place. (Genesis 33:8-11, 15-16)

How should I respond?

Pray

Take responsibility for your part.

Say, “I am sorry.”

Forgive without strings attached.

Bearing with one another and, if one has complaint against another, forgiving each other, as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive.
Colossians 3:13