

CROSS CHURCH



SEPTEMBER 19-20, 2026
**THE ONE THING THAT
CHANGES EVERYTHING
PART 8: FORGIVENESS**

GALATIANS 5:1 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened...

1. Unforgiveness Keeps You Bound.

2. Forgiveness Doesn't Mean What You Think It Means.

- Forgiveness is not minimizing what happened.
- Forgiveness is not forgetting.
- Forgiveness is not necessarily reconciliation.

ROMANS 12:18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

REPENTANCE.
RESTITUTION.
REBUILDING.

3. Forgiveness Is a Choice Before It Is A Feeling.

MATTHEW 18:21-22 At that point Peter got up the nerve to ask, "Master, how many times do I forgive a brother or sister who hurts me? Seven?" Jesus replied, "Seven! Hardly. Try seventy times seven."

"I don't feel forgiveness. I will forgiveness."

– SUSIE WILSON

EPHESIANS 4:31-32 Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God through Christ has forgiven you.

JOHN 20:24-28 Now Thomas one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

What is the Holy Spirit speaking to me today, and how can I apply it?