

# sermon discussion

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## MAIN POINTS & KEY SCRIPTURES

Numbers 14:18

**Overlook the small, but forgive them all.**

Proverbs 19:11

**We can choose to overlook minor offenses.**

Philippians 4:2

**STEP 1 – Look for things to be thankful for.**

Philippians 4:4

**STEP 2 - Consider the entire picture.**

Philippians 4:5

**STEP 3 – Bring the concern to the Lord.**

Philippians 4:6

**STEP 4 – Look for the good.**

Philippians 4:8

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Mark 11:25 LEB

Matthew 18:21-22

Matthew 18:35

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Matthew 6:12

Romans 12:19

Matthew 6:11-12

Mark 11:25 LEB

## GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Share a personal experience of when overlooking a minor offense proved beneficial for maintaining a relationship. How did you manage to overlook it?
2. **Read Galatians 2:20, 2 Corinthians 5:17, Romans 8:29, and 2 Corinthians 5:20.** How does committing our lives to Jesus Christ as LORD impact our identity and how we should respond to offenses?
3. **Read 1 John 4:7-12, Romans 5:8, Ephesians 5:1-2, and 1 Corinthians 13:4-7.** What are some concepts from these verses that provide the basis for how to approach others who have offended us?
4. What does it mean in 1 Corinthians 13:6-7 when it says, “love keeps no record of wrongs and bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things”? When have you seen someone exemplify one or more of those concepts?
5. What did you think of the criteria pastor Greg mentioned for deciding if something is a minor offense? Did you agree with all of them, think something was missing, find it helpful, etc.?
6. What are some minor offenses in the past you’ve had a hard time overlooking, and why?
7. What are one or two offenses that you could expect to deal with in the coming week at home, work, church or in your friendships? How could you approach them differently in light of everything we discussed today?

## GOING FURTHER

**MEMORIZE:** *“And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.”* **Mark 11:25 (NIV)**

### STUDIES:

- *Healing Relationships* by Trueface (4-week study on [right now media](#))
- *When to Walk Away: Finding Freedom from Toxic People* by Gary Thomas (available as a book or 6-week small group study on [right now media](#))
- *Relational Peacemaking Group Study* by RW360 with Ken Sande (12-week group study, materials cost \$20-25 per person [more info here](#))