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PRIORITIES FROM THE PARABLES

8 PERSISTENT PRAYERS

- 1. UNITY** WILL BE OUR (MY) AIM
- 2. CARING** WILL BE OUR (MY) FOCUS
- 3. GRATITUDE** WILL BE OUR (MY) GOAL
- 4. PROTECTION** WILL BE OUR (MY) PLEA
- 5. PERSEVERANCE** WILL BE OUR (MY) CRY
- 6. SCRIPTURE** WILL BE OUR (MY) REFUGE
- 7. REVIVAL** WILL BE OUR (MY) HOPE
- 8. PRAYER** WILL BE OUR (MY) WEAPON

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THE BEST ?

SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them saying...

MATTHEW 5:1-2

Blessed are the...



BIG ROCKS FIRST

"Seek first the kingdom of God"


- 1. HUMILITY** THE POOR IN SPIRIT
- 2. TRUST** THOSE WHO MOURN
- 3. SELF-CONTROL** THE MEEK
- 4. OBEDIENCE** HUNGER FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS
- 5. COMPASSION** THE MERCIFUL
- 6. PURITY** THE PURE IN HEART
- 7. PEACEMAKING**
- 8.**

The background of the image is a scenic landscape. In the foreground, there is a valley filled with yellow wildflowers and green grass. In the middle ground, there are rolling green hills. In the background, there are more hills, some with small structures on top, under a clear sky.

Seventh Beatitude

**Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called sons of God.**

Matthew 5:9

A hand holding a compass against a mountain landscape. The background shows a vast mountain range with green hills and patches of snow under a cloudy sky. The hand is in the foreground, holding a black compass. The text is overlaid on a dark semi-transparent background.

To be a peacemaker
You must know the peace giver.

Billy Graham
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GOD THE FATHER

PROMISES PEACE

"I will listen to what the Lord says; He promises peace to His people, His faithful servants - but let them not turn to folly." Psalm 85:8

GUARDS WITH PEACE

"And the peace of God, which transcends understanding, will guard your hearts..." Phil. 4:7

BLESSES WITH PEACE

"The Lord gives strength to His people, He blesses them with peace." Psalm 29:11

STABILIZES WITH PEACE

"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." Isaiah 26:3

KNOWN BY PEACE

"For God is not a God of disorder, but of peace." 1 Cor. 14:33



GOD THE SON

OFFERS PEACE

"Peace I leave with you, I do not give as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled or be afraid." John 14:27

SPOKE PEACE

I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, but take heart, I have overcome the world!" John 16:33

COMMANDED PEACE

"Peace be still." Mark 4:39

BROUGHT PEACE

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1

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Peacemaking is not

Pretending wrong things are right.

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"Cast Alongside"

UNFORGIVING SERVANT

MATTHEW 18: 21-35

SEVEN TIMES?

**Then Peter came up and said to him,
“Lord, how often will my brother sin
against me, and I forgive him?
As many as seven times?”**

Matthew 18:21-35

SEVEN TIMES?

**Jesus said to him,
"I do not say to you seven times, but
seventy-seven times."**

Matthew 18:21-35

A hand holding a compass against a mountain landscape. The background shows rolling green hills and mountains under a cloudy sky. The hand is in the foreground, holding a black compass. The text is overlaid on the image in three horizontal black boxes.

Every time an offense occurs

forgive

every single time.

Chuck Swindoll

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WHEN I WILLINGLY RELEASE

- 1** The refusal to associate.
- 2** The desire to punish them.
- 3** The passion to expose them.*
- 4** The longing for their failure.
- 5** The reluctance to pray for them.

TRUE

FORGIVENESS?

Willing & Active

F+RGIVEN
GET BITTER OR GET BETTER

WHEN I ACTIVELY CHOOSE

- 1** To rebuild associations.
- 2** To remove sinful attitudes.
- 3** To refuse passion to expose.
- 4** To rejoice in their blessing.
- 5** To renew all prayers

WHAT IT IS NOT

1 APPROVAL

OF THE TREATMENT

2 DISMISSAL

OF THE WRONG

3 TRUST

OF THE OFFENDER

4 FORGETFUL

OF THE OFFENSE

5 SUPPRESSION

OF THE HURT

TRUE

FORGIVENESS?

What IT IS vs What it is NOT

F+RGIVEN
GET BITTER OR GET BETTER

WHAT IT IS

1 ERASING

OF ALL RECORDS

2 HARBORING

OF NO RESENTMENT

3 RETURNING

OF NO EVIL

4 OFFERING

OF GRACE

5 TRUSTING

OF GOD'S JUSTICE

FOUR PROMISES OF FORGIVENESS

ADAPTED FROM: THE PEACEMAKER, KEN SANDE

I will not dwell on this incident.

I will not bring up this incident against you.

I will not talk to others about this incident.

I will not let this incident end our relationship.



SETTLE ACCOUNTS

Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants.

Matthew 18:21-35

SETTLE ACCOUNTS

When he began to settle, one
was brought to him who owed
him **TEN THOUSAND** talents.

1 Talent = 6,000 denarii (16yrs wages)

Matthew 18:21-35

SETTLE ACCOUNTS

And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.

Matthew 18:21-35

HAVE PATIENCE

**So the servant fell on his knees,
imploring him, 'Have patience with me,
and I will pay you everything.'**

Matthew 18:21-35

OUT OF PITY

**And out of pity for him, the master
of that servant released him and
forgave him the debt.**

Matthew 18:21-35

A hand holding a compass against a mountain landscape background. The hand is in the foreground, holding a black compass. The background shows a vast mountain range with green and brown hills under a hazy sky. The text is overlaid on this image.

BEGAN TO CHOKE HIM

But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'

Matthew 18:21-35

PAY WHAT YOU OWE

So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'

Matthew 18:21-35

A hand holding a compass against a mountain landscape background. The hand is in the foreground, holding a silver and black compass. The background shows a vast mountain range with green and brown hills under a cloudy sky. The text is overlaid on this image.

HE REFUSED

**He refused and went
and put him in prison
until he should pay
the debt.**

**HE WHO HAD
RECEIVED FREEDOM
PLACED ANOTHER
IN PRISON**

Matthew 18:21-35

GREATLY DISTRESSED

When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.

HOW COULD ONE
FORGIVEN
SO MUCH
REFUSE FORGIVENESS OF
SO LITTLE

Matthew 18:21-35

YOU WICKED SERVANT

Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'

Matthew 18:21-35

TO THE JAILERS

And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.

THE TORTURERS
"Inquisitors"

Matthew 18:21-35



THE TORTURERS

HARDSHIP

TENSION

ANXIETY

CONFLICT

PRESSURE

BITTERNESS

ISOLATION

"THE INQUISITORS"

FORGIVENESS

So also my heavenly Father will do to everyone of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.

Matthew 18:21-35

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Forgiven people ought to

FORGIVE PEOPLE

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The background of the image is a scenic landscape. In the foreground, there is a valley filled with yellow wildflowers and green grass. In the middle ground, there are rolling green hills. In the background, there are more hills and a small mountain peak under a clear sky. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

Seventh Beatitude

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Matthew 5:9

MIRROR PRINCIPLE



Hearer but not a doer?

"...for he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like."

JAMES 1: 24

TRUE NORTH LIVING

AM I GOING TO A PERSON WHO
ROCKS THE BOAT
OR CALMS THE STORM?

"Don't let them drag you into their storm, pull them into your peace."

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PEACEMAKERS

TAKE INITIATIVE

"...Those who promote peace have joy." Prov. 12:20

ADDRESS TENSION

"They must turn from evil and do good, they must seek peace and pursue it." 1 Peter 3:11

EXTEND MERCY


"Peacemakers who sow peace reap a harvest of righteousness." James 3:8

KNOW PEACE

"But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace..." Gal. 5:22

OFFER FORGIVENESS

"As far as it is by you, live at peace with all men." Rom. 12:18

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PEACE BE STILL

HARDSHIP

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THE SEVEN WAVES THAT ROCK THE BOAT OF PEACE

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Blessed are the **PEACEMAKERS**

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7 WINDS THAT ROCK THE BOAT OF PEACE

1 HARDSHIP: Fear robs peace.
"You can pray or you can panic."

2 TENSION: Division robs peace.
"You can accept it or you can address it."


3 ANXIETY: Worry robs peace.
"You can worry or you can worship."

4 CONFLICT: Hypocrisy robs peace.
"You can confess or you can get caught."

5 PRESSURE: Stress robs peace.
"You can impress or you can invest."

6 BITTERNESS: Bitterness robs peace.
"You can get bitter or you can get better."

7 ISOLATION: Selfishness robs peace.
"You can be humble or you can get humbled."

A hand holding a compass against a mountain landscape. The background shows a vast, hazy mountain range under a cloudy sky. The foreground is a steep, rocky slope with patches of green grass and snow. The hand is holding a black compass with a silver bezel, and the needle is pointing towards the top of the frame. The text is overlaid on the image in white, sans-serif font, with each line in a separate black rectangular box.

You can pray or you can panic

You can worry or you can worship

You can accept it or you can address it

You can get bitter or you can get better

For the child of God peace is a choice.

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