

The title of my message today is
Faith and a Forgiving Family:

God has a solution for all our relational failures especially when it comes to our families, it's called

FORGIVENESS

1. What is Forgiveness of Others?

Luke 23:34 CSB

“Then Jesus said, “Father, **forgive them** because they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided his clothes and cast lots.”

Matthew 6:14-15 CSB

“For if you forgive others their offenses, your heavenly Father will forgive you as well. But if you don't forgive others, your Father will not forgive your offenses.”

2. Forgiveness and Reconciliation What's Forgiveness Look Like?

- MAKING A DECISION TO TREAT EVERYBODY LIKE AN ENEMY

MATT 5:44CSB

v44 BUT I TELL YOU, LOVE YOUR ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU,

All the days ordained for us have been written — not only the good days but the bad days too

Psalm 139:16

Your eyes have seen my formless substance; And in Your book were written All the days that were ordained for me, when as yet there was not one of them.

3. FORGIVENESS IS NOT FORGETTING

Psalms 147:3 Amp

“He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds [curing their pains and their sorrows].

Romans 8:28

We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to His purpose.

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4. Faith In God

Philippians 2:13AMP

For it is

[not your strength, but it is] God who is effectively at work in you, both to WILL and to Work [that is, strengthening, energizing, and creating in you the longing and the ability to fulfill your purpose] for His good pleasure.