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Forgive One Another #7 of 9 - Aug.21, 2016

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 - In what ways have you been able to Share about Jesus this week?
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- 4. Read Matthew 6:14-15. How do you react when you read this passage? Do you struggle with forgiveness? If so, why do you believe that is the case? Does your perspective change when you consider it in light of Isaiah 53:3-6?
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SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

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With Gerrit Nieuwoudt: Sequoia Board Chair Aug. 21, 2016



Ephesians 4:30-32:

And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behaviour. ³² Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

Big Idea: Forgive one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

In Matthew 6:14-15 "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Matthew 18:23-35

Why Forgive Others?

1. Jesus commands it.

2. It <u>transforms your relationship</u> with God and the <u>world</u> around you.

The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation.