

Keys of the Kingdom

part 10

FORGIVENESS

Patterns and principle

principles of the kingdom

John 20:22-23 And when He had said this, He breathed on *them*, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they are retained.”

LUK 23:33-34 And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.”

Heaven is open to us because JESUS forgave.

(The place of agreement is the place of power)

when church people have unforgiveness towards leaders who have failed it retains those sins onto YOUR life.

It also closes the heavens to others....

if you forgive you release.... you don't bring it up anymore...

if you hold somebodies sin against them you bind them too them...

Psa 103:1-5 Bless the Lord, O my soul;
And all that is within me, *bless* His holy name!
2 Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And forget not all His benefits:
3 Who forgives all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases,
4 Who redeems your life from destruction,
Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,
5 Who satisfies your mouth with good *things*,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Psa 32:1-2 Blessed *is he* whose transgression *is* forgiven,
Whose sin *is* covered.
2 Blessed *is* the man to whom the Lord does not impute
iniquity,
And in whose spirit *there is* no deceit.

Matt 18:32-34 Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. ³³ Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on

you?’³⁴ And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

³⁵ “So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”

IN true forgiveness you want HEAVEN to be opened to them...

Mat 5:44-48 “You have heard that it was said, ‘*You shall love your neighbor* and hate your enemy.’⁴⁴ But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,⁴⁵ that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.⁴⁶ For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?⁴⁷ And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more *than others*? Do not even the tax collectors do so?⁴⁸ Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

Fear is like the flypaper to offense and in forgiveness

Job 3:25. For the thing I greatly feared has come upon me, And what I dreaded has happened to me.

Job 9:24-30. *The earth is given into the hand of the wicked. He covers the faces of its judges. If it is not He, who else could it be? “Now my days are swifter than a runner; They flee away, they see no good. They pass by like swift ships, Like an eagle swooping on its prey. If I say, ‘I will forget my complaint, I will put off my sad face and wear a smile,’ I am afraid of all my sufferings; I know that You will not hold me innocent. If I am condemned, Why then do I labor in vain? If I wash myself with snow water, And cleanse my hands with soap, Yet You will plunge me into the pit, And my own clothes will abhor me. (Job 9:24-31 NKJV)*

Job 9:24-35 NLT. *The whole earth is in the hands of the wicked, and God blinds the eyes of the judges. If he’s not the one who does it, who is? “My life passes more swiftly than a runner. It flees away without a glimpse of happiness. It disappears like a swift papyrus boat, like an eagle swooping down on its prey. If I decided to forget my complaints, to put away my sad face and be cheerful, I would still dread all the pain, for I know you will not find me innocent, O God. Whatever happens, I will be found guilty. So what’s the use of trying? Even if I were to wash myself with soap and clean my hands with lye, you would plunge me into a muddy ditch, and my own filthy clothing would hate me. “God is not a mortal*

like me, so I cannot argue with him or take him to trial. If only there were a mediator between us, someone who could bring us together. The mediator could make God stop beating me, and I would no longer live in terror of his punishment. Then I could speak to him without fear, but I cannot do that in my own strength. (Job 9:24-