

20/20 Life**Rejuvenated**



Forgiveness is hard.



Forgiveness is costly.



Forgiveness is a chance to look like **Jesus**.



Forgiveness is freeing.



Forgiveness is not passive.



Forgiveness is not a feeling.



Forgiveness is not excusing wrong, or eliminating consequences.



Forgiveness is not based on the other person.





Forgiveness begins before forgiveness.



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Ephesians 4:31-32



"RUN AWAY from anything that stimulates youthful lusts. Instead pursue righteous living, faithfulness, love and peace. Enjoy the companionship of those who call on the Lord with pure hearts."

2 Timothy 2:22



Reveal our hurts in honesty.



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JUST AS in Christ God forgave you."

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Forgiveness doesn't say "it's ok"



Forgiveness doesn't say "it's ok" Forgiveness says "we're ok"



Realize resentment doesn't work.



Remember why we forgive.



"Then Peter came to him and asked, 'Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?' 'No, not seven times, 'Jesus replied, 'seventy times seven!"



Therefore, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him. In the process, once of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars.



He couldn't pay, so his master ordered that he be sold - along with his wife, his children, and everything he owed - to pay the debt. But the man fell down before his master and begged him, 'Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.'



Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt. But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment.



His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for a little more time. 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it,' he pleaded. But his creditor wouldn't wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full.



When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him everything that had happened. Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant!'



I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?' Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt.



"That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart."

Matthew 18:21-35