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2.



Grace produces grace



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- What forgiveness is



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- What forgiveness is
- What Jesus says about forgiveness
- Why we struggle to forgive



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4 things we are going to answer

- What forgiveness is
- What Jesus says about forgiveness
- Why we struggle to forgive
- The only way we can truly forgive



8.



Matthew 18:21-22



9.



Thomas Watson defines it by saying, “We forgive others when we strive against all thoughts of revenge, when we will not do our enemies mischief, but we wish well on them. We grieve with them. We pray for them. We seek reconciliation with them and show ourselves ready on all occasions to relieve them.”



10.



Matthew 6:14-15 says
“For if you forgive others their trespasses,
your heavenly Father will also forgive you,
but if you do not forgive others their
trespasses, neither will your father
forgive your trespasses”



11.



You have not enjoyed God’s unmerited
forgiveness if you are unable or unwilling
to respond in kind towards others.



12.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:



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Reasons people don't want to forgive:
- Pain is too deep



14.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:

- Pain is too deep
- Demand justice



15.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:

- Pain is too deep
- Demand justice
- Vengeance



16.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:

- Pain is too deep
- Demand justice
- Vengeance
- Arrogance & Self-Righteousness



17.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:

- Pain is too deep
- Demand justice
- Vengeance
- Arrogance & Self-Righteousness
- Victim



18.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:

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- Victim
- Upper Hand



19.



Reasons people don't want to forgive:

- Pain is too deep
- Demand justice
- Vengeance
- Arrogance & Self-Righteousness
- Victim
- Upper Hand
- Forgotten how Jesus has forgiven us



20.



God has forgiven you for your infinite debt to him, at a great cost to himself, will you be able to forgive others, even at a great cost to yourself?



21.



Grace produces grace



22.