

TAKE HOME SHEET



I'M GLAD YOU
SAID THAT

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⁸ If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. ⁹ But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. ¹⁰ If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts.

1 John 1:8-10 (NLT)

What are some specific things that God has forgiven me of?

Who do I have a hard time forgiving? What is holding me back?

²¹ Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" ²² "No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven!"
Matthew 18:21-22 (NLT)

Read the verses following (18:22-35) for Jesus' further explanation.

Since forgiving others is a command from God, what am I going to do?

For I can do everything God asks me to with the help of Christ who gives me the strength and power.

Philippians 4:13 (TLB)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NIV – New International Version

NLT – New Living Translation

TLB – The Living Bible

MESSAGE NOTES



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So far we've looked at:

*"I was wrong, please forgive me."
"Is there anything you need?"
"What do you think?"*

Today we have three words: *"I forgive you."*

For followers of Jesus, learning to forgive others is not optional, it's required.

⁹ Pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be kept holy. ¹⁰ May your Kingdom come soon. May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us today the food we need, ¹² and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us. ¹³ And don't let us yield to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one.

Matthew 6:9–13 (NLT)

But when you are praying, first forgive anyone you are holding a grudge against, so that your Father in heaven will forgive your sins, too.

Mark 11:25 (NLT)

If I choose to forgive others, God will bless me for it.

If I choose to not forgive others, it will cost me.

Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32 (NLT)

Forgive (def): release, let go, untie

Forgiving others proves my relationship with Christ is real. (Humility is the key here.)

...everyone who believes in him will have their sins forgiven through his name.

Acts 10:43 (NLT)

This is how we know who the children of God are...Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God; nor is anyone who does not love his brother.

1 John 3:10 (NIV)

...be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32 (NLT)

¹² Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

¹³ Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.

Colossians 3:12-13 (NLT)

Forgiving others protects my friendship with God.

¹⁴ If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. ¹⁵ But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Matthew 6:14–15 (NLT)

Forgiving others provides a real picture of hope for others.

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

2 Corinthians 5:17-20 (NIV)