

# AMAZING GRACE

*“It has been said that holding on to unforgiveness is like drinking poison while hoping the other person dies.”*

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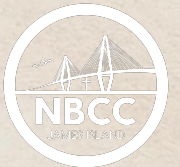
*“Forgiveness is a funny thing. It warms the heart  
and cools the sting.”*

William Arthur Ward



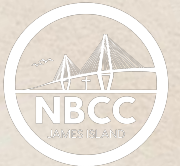
*“Forgive your enemies, but never forget their names.”*

John F. Kennedy



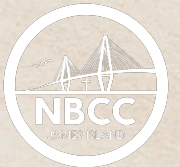
*“When you forgive, you in no way change the past  
- but you sure do change the future.”*

Bernard Meltzer



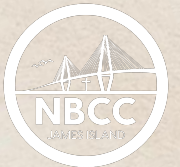
*“God forgive you, but I never can.”*

Elizabeth I



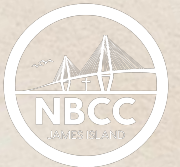
*“It is easier to forgive an enemy than to forgive a friend.”*

William Blake



*“Sometimes the first step to forgiveness is understanding the other person is a complete idiot.”*

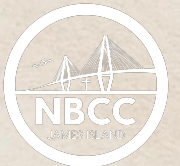
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*“When there is road work on I-26 and two lanes merge into one - do you merge quickly or wait until the last possible moment?”*

Seana Wengrow



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# Knowing Grace

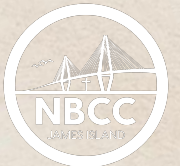
*To understand God's Amazing Grace;*

*You must understand the consequences of sin.*



# Growing in Grace

*The Christian life is growing in our relationship with Jesus and experiencing His grace and mercy and peace more and more.*



# Showing Grace

*We forgive others as we have been forgiven -  
Freely and Fully*



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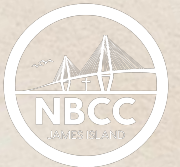
*Then Peter came to him and asked, “Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?”*

Matthew 18:21 (NLT)



*“No, not seven times,” Jesus replied, “but seventy times seven!”*

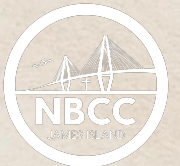
Matthew 18:22 (NLT)





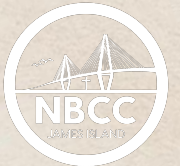
*Therefore, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him.*

Matthew 18:23 (NLT)



*In the process, one of his debtors was brought in  
who owed him millions of dollars.*

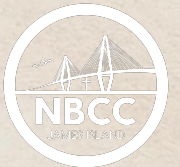
Matthew 18:24 (NLT)





*He couldn't pay, so his master ordered that he be sold - along with his wife, his children, and everything he owned - to pay the debt.*

Matthew 18:25 (NLT)



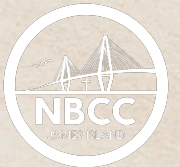
*But the man fell down before his master and begged him, 'Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.'*

Matthew 18:26 (NLT)

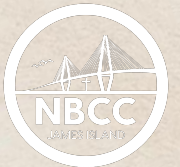


*Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt.*

Matthew 18:27 (NLT)



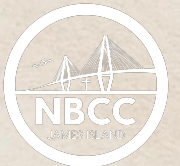






*But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment.*

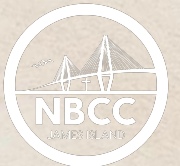
Matthew 18:28 (NLT)





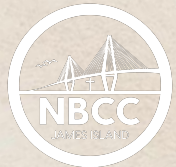
*His fellow servant fell down and begged him for a little more time. 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it.' he pleaded.*

Matthew 18:29 (NLT)



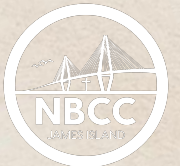
*But his creditor wouldn't wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full.*

Matthew 18:30 (NLT)



*When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him everything that had happened.*

Matthew 18:31 (NLT)



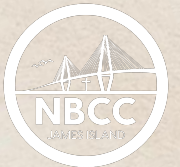
*Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, ‘You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me.*

Matthew 18:32 (NLT)



*Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant,  
just as I had mercy on you?'*

Matthew 18:33 (NLT)







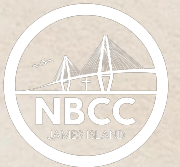
*Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he paid his entire debt.*

Matthew 18:34 (NLT)



*“That’s what my heavenly Father will do if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart.”*

Matthew 18:35 (NLT)



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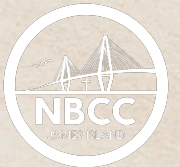
- *Unforgiveness imprisons you and tortures you.*
- *The grace you received was a gift and complete.*
- *Freely and Fully*
- *Celebrate your new life when you struggle to forgive.*
- *Pray for the wellbeing of the person you need to forgive.*



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*He has removed our sins as far from us as the east  
is from the west.*

Psalm 103:12 (NLT)



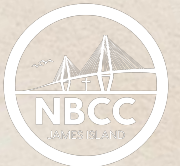
*Give us today the food we need,  
and forgive us our sins,  
as we have forgiven those who sin against us.*

Matthew 6:11 - 12 (NLT)



*Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words,  
and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior.*

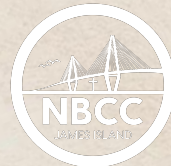
Ephesians 4:31 - 32 (NLT)





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

Ephesians 4:31 - 32 (NLT)



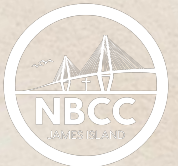
*Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.*

Colossians 3:12 - 13 (NLT)



*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)



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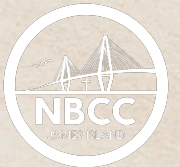
*As they were eating, Jesus took some bread and blessed it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying,*

Matthew 26:26 - 28 (NLT)



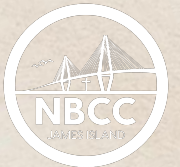
*“Take this and eat it, for this is my body.”*

Matthew 26:26 - 28 (NLT)



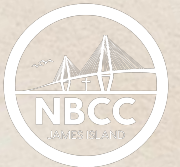
*And he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. He gave it to them and said,*

Matthew 26:26 - 28 (NLT)



*“Each of you drink from it, for this is my blood,  
which confirms the covenant between God and his  
people.*

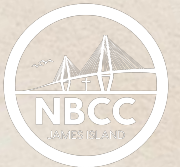
Matthew 26:26 - 28 (NLT)





*It is poured out as a sacrifice to forgive the sins of many.”*

Matthew 26:26 - 28 (NLT)



*Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.*

Matthew 26:30 (NLT)



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