

QUESTIONS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. How is someone forgiven their sins by God? Why must confession and repentance proceed forgiveness? Have you been forgiven by God in Christ Jesus the Lord?
2. What is the Lord's rule to Christians concerning forgiveness? How many times must we forgive?
3. Why must we forgive like this according to Jesus' reasoning? Which debt did you owe God, the first debt or the second debt? How did God treat you?
4. What does it mean to forgive someone biblically? What is promised? How does God forgive us in Christ?
5. How is the slave treated when he refuses to forgive his fellow slave? Why is it significant that he was handed over to the "torturers" and not the "executioners"?
6. What will God do if you refuse to forgive? What other verses concur with this truth about unforgiveness?
7. Who do you need to forgive today? Who do you need to be ready to forgive from the heart if they repent?

"Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you."

Ephesians 4:31-32

"The foundation for a forgiving spirit is the experience of divine grace. It is by grace that we are saved. It is by grace that we live. It is by grace that we have been forgiven. Therefore, the why of forgiving is to manifest our own gratitude for the grace that we have received."

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"LIMITLESS FORGIVENESS"

MATTHEW 18:21-35

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Verses 21-22

II. The Reason for Forgiveness

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