

A REASON FOR FORGIVENESS

Matthew 18:21-35

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The debt was _____ but was forgiven _____

Three Parts Toward Forgiveness:

Compassion: You _____ to consider the other person's _____

Release: You _____ what is owed to you

Forgave: You _____ acknowledge the debt is _____

Forgiveness requires _____

Forgiveness is not _____

_____ involves both parties
_____ the relationship

Work at living in peace with everyone, and work at living a holy life, for those who are not holy will not see the Lord. Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God. Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many – Hebrews 12:14-15 (NLT)

Unforgiveness _____ bitterness, forgiveness _____ it

_____ leads to _____ worse than we were treated

Unforgiveness doesn't _____ problems, it _____ them

But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you – John 16:13-14 (NASB)

The _____ of unforgiveness and forgiveness are not _____

Through Christ, we have the _____ to forgive all _____

Choosing _____ can cost me _____

Wish good for those who harm you; wish them well and do not curse them – Romans 14:12 (NCV)