

FORGIVENESS AND LOVE

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Matthew 6:14-15

"For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. (NKJV)

Matthew 5:23

Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, (NKJV)

Mark 11:25-26

"And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses." (NKJV)

Ephesians 4:32

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. (NKJV)

1 John 4:20-21

If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also. (NKJV)

FORGIVENESS BEGINS WITH GOD

JESUS AND STEPHEN

FORGIVENESS CONTINUES THROUGH
US

WE MUST BE A BRIDGE, NOT A WALL

Matthew 18:21-23

Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. (NKJV)

COMMANDED BY GOD

INTENTIONAL

FOR WHO PEOPLE ARE, NOT
WHAT THEY DO

HOLY, RIGHTEOUS WORSHIPERS

NOTHING ELSE MATTERS

SPIRITUAL RATHER THAN
RELIGIOUS

GNOSTICS

A SUBTLE SIN

MORE COMMON

MORE DANGEROUS
