

Relationship Damage Control

Growing Great Relationships – Part 3

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servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment.

NLT Colossians 3:13 You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.

B. Forgive with _____

NIV Matthew 18:29-30 His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt.

1. _____ God's forgiveness

A. Realize the _____ of your sin

NLT Matthew 18:24-25 In the process, one of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars. He couldn't pay, so the king ordered that he, his wife, his children, and everything he had be sold to pay the debt.

B. _____ God to forgive you

NLT Matthew 18:26-27 But the man fell down before the king and begged him, 'Oh, sir, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.' Then the king was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt.

NCV Col. 2:13-14 [God] forgave all our sins. He canceled the debt, which listed all the rules we failed to follow. He took away that record with its rules and nailed it to the cross.

2. _____ to forgive others

A. Forgive other's _____ wrongs

NLT Matthew 18:28 But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow

3. Resist holding a _____

A. Unforgiveness leads to _____

NLT Matthew 18:32-33 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?'

NLT Matthew 18:35 "That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters in your heart."

B. Unforgiveness removes _____ forgiveness

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

Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT) "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."