

# A Home Full of Forgiveness

## part 2

### Introduction:

- Because Christians are the most \_\_\_\_\_ people in the world, we should be the most \_\_\_\_\_ people in the world.
- In this message, we will learn the meaning of true Biblical forgiveness.

### First, we need to understand what Biblical forgiveness IS NOT. Ephesians 4:31-32

#### Forgiveness is NOT a \_\_\_\_\_.

1. It is an act of the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Feelings are conditional and change with the wind; \_\_\_\_\_ never changes.

#### Forgiveness is NOT \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Forgetting is a \_\_\_\_\_ process in which a matter fades from memory merely with the passing of time.
2. Forgiving is an \_\_\_\_\_ process; it involves a conscious choice and deliberate course of action.

#### Forgiveness is NOT \_\_\_\_\_.

- The very fact that forgiveness is needed and granted indicates that what someone did was \_\_\_\_\_ and inexcusable.

**Second, lets understand what Biblical forgiveness IS.**

**Forgiveness is a \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**Colossians 3:13**

1. To forgive someone means to \_\_\_\_\_ them from the liability of suffering further punishment or penalty.
  - Scriptures for study: Matthew 6:12, 18:27; Luke 7:41-42; 2 Corinthians 2:6-7
2. Remembering what \_\_\_\_\_ did to purchase our forgiveness should be our greatest incentive to release others from the penalties they deserve.  
1 Peter 2:24-25

**Forgiveness involves four promises (taken from God's example in Ephesians 1:1-9):**

1. I will no longer \_\_\_\_\_ on this incident.
  - His grace now abounds towards us. vs. 7-8
2. I will not bring up this incident again and \_\_\_\_\_ it against you.
  - God redeems us from past sins. vs. 7
3. I will not talk to \_\_\_\_\_ about this incident.
  - God deals directly with us as His children. vs. 5, 9
4. I will not allow this incident to stand between us or \_\_\_\_\_ our relationship.
  - God not only forgives, He blesses us beyond measure. vs. 3

- One of the most difficult places to practice Biblical forgiveness is the home. Why is this?
  - Because those we \_\_\_\_\_ the most can hurt us the most.