

## Unforgiveness

**Overview:** Unforgiveness will block all your prayers. Forgiveness will allow God's forgiveness to flow freely from Him as grace and blessings. Satan knows that if he can get you in offense and unforgiveness he can stop the flow of God's blessings to your lives. Do not fall for his devious and subtle tricks.

### A. Prayer and Unforgiveness

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| 1. The Lord's Prayer.                    | Matt 6:9-15             |
| 2. Mountain-Moving Prayer.               | Mark 11:22-26           |
| 3. Binding and Loosing/Agreement Prayer. | Matt 18 esp. 6,15,18-35 |

**Note:** In these 3 famous teachings on prayer, Jesus took 30 verses, of which 20 were about forgiving.

### B. Choose to Sow Forgiveness or Unforgiveness

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| 1. Forgive others that your Heavenly Father may forgive you.        | Mark 11:25; Matt 6:14 |
| 2. Forgive us as we forgive others.                                 | Matt 6:12             |
| 3. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father forgive you. | Mark 11:26; Matt 6:15 |
| 4. Forgive and you shall be forgiven.                               | Luke 6:37             |
| 5. Therefore, sow forgiveness to receive forgiveness from God.      |                       |
| 6. For, if you sow unforgiveness, you will reap unforgiveness.      |                       |

### C. Unforgiveness Blocks All Prayers

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| 1. If you confess your known sins, He forgives you of all sins.                                | 1 John 1:9              |
| 2. But with unforgiveness, you remain living in your sins.                                     | Luke 6:37 (above)       |
| 3. Sins hinders your prayers; be not bitter against your wife.                                 | 1 Peter 3:7; Col 3:19   |
| 4. With iniquity in your heart, God will not hear your prayers.                                | Psa 66:18               |
| 5. If your heart condemns you, your prayers are not answered.                                  | 1 John 3:20-22; 5:14-15 |
| 6. Forgiveness precedes healing. Which is easier? Matt 9:5                                     | Psa 103:3; Jam 5:14-15  |
| 7. With unforgiveness, you are turned over to the tormentors.                                  | Matt 18:34-35           |
| 8. With a lack of forgiveness, you are turned over to Satan for the destruction of your flesh. | 1 Cor 5:5               |

### D. Process of Unforgiveness

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| 1. Offence → Anger → Unforgiveness → Bitterness | Eph 4:26-27; Heb 12:14-15 |
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### E. Process of Forgiveness

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| 1. Identification – ask HS to help identify unforgiveness.                       | John 14:26            |
| 2. Forgive – even when you don't feel like it, forgive by faith, from the heart. | Luke 6:28; Matt 18:35 |
| 3. Repent of unforgiveness.  | 1 John 1:9            |
| 4. Believe – Prayer of Faith – Believe you receive.                              | Mark 11:24            |
| 5. Action – act as though it is done.  | James 1:22; Matt 5:44 |

### F. Watch for the Attack of the Enemy

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| 1. Remembrance of the offence.  |            |
| a. Treat as a sin – repent, renounce the enemy behind it.                               | 1 John 1:9 |
| b. Cast down imaginations.  | 2 Cor 10:5 |
| 2. Mental forgiveness: Don't forget, avoid the person.                                  |            |
| a. Sin is that you deceive your heart.  | Jam 1:22   |
| 3. Natural wisdom: S/he is a sinner, prevent recurrence of the incident.                |            |
| a. Sin of doubt; anything, not of faith is a sin.                                       | Rom 14:23  |
| 4. Correct response:  | Matt 5:44  |
| a. Love your enemy – agape – unconditional love, a decision of the will.                |            |
| b. Bless them that curse you – look for ways to be a blessing.                          |            |
| c. Do good to them that hate you – let goodness from the Fruit of the Spirit guide you. |            |
| d. Pray for them – Pray for their salvation, their business, their families, etc.       |            |

**Recommendation:** Each time the enemy tries to attack, increase the prayer, love etc until the enemy leaves.