

"CONDITIONAL FORGIVENESS"

Matthew 6:14-15

Main Idea: God forgives me when I sin against Him IF I forgive others when they sin against me.

The Condition for Forgiveness (14-15)

If I forgive, God forgives (14)

If I do not forgive, God does not forgive (15)

Principle: *If there is a wall between me and someone else, there is a wall between me and God*

Principle: *If I refuse to extend grace to someone, God will refuse to extend grace to me*

The Evidences of Unforgiveness

When I cannot stop _____ about what a person did or said to me

When I have a _____ view of the person who offended me

When I want the person to be severely _____ for their offense

When I cover myself with _____ of _____ when I am around the person who offended me

The Method of True Forgiveness

Letting it go

Taking your thoughts captive

The Matter of Unremorseful, Unrepentant Offenders