

REDEEMED AND RENOVATED!
Selected Old & New Testament Scriptures

Anytime that we come to this Table, what we call the Lord's Table, the one word that should come to our mind is "forgiveness".

Stop and think about it for second, without God's forgiveness we cannot come to this table.

- **Colossians 1:13-14**
 - Rescued
 - From the domain of darkness.
 - Transferred
 - To the Kingdom of His beloved Son.
 - We have redemption.
 - Renovation
 - **Jeremiah 17:5-8**
 - Forgiveness of our sins.
 - What are you trusting for the forgiveness of your sins today?
 - When the time of your judgment comes will it be enough?

I believe that many Christians think that once this wall has been destroyed it cannot be rebuilt, but it can.

Now don't be confused, I am not talking about losing your salvation but rather we are not careful there is another wall that can be rebuilt that will keep us from coming here.

- Unforgiveness

Ephesians 4:32

- Kind
- Tenderhearted
- Why should we forgive, (**what is our motivation**) for we have been forgiven.
- In fact, believers in Jesus Christ should be the most forgiving people in the world.

One of the greatest examples of earthly forgiveness in the Bible is found in:

Genesis 50:15-21

- All of a sudden, Joseph's brothers no longer have the shield of their father (Israel) between them and their brother, Joseph.
- They resort to lying, telling Joseph that their father's dying wish was for him to forgive them
- We see **Ephesians 4:32** played out in the life of Joseph:
 - Wept
 - Don't be afraid for I am not God.
 - An understanding that God was in charge all the time.
 - I will provide for you and your families.

Mark 11:25-26

- Read **Mark 11:22-24**
- If you have ANYthing against ANYone.
- Again, why should I forgive, "*so that the Father Who is in heaven will also forgive your transgressions.*"
- British Brigadier General James Oglethorpe once said to John Wesley, "*I never forgive, and I never forget.*" To which Wesley responded, "*Then Sir, I hope you never sin.*"

Renowned Christian Author Lewis Smedes, once said, "To forgive is to set a prisoner free.....and only to finally discover that the PRISONER WAS YOU!"

Romans 12:14-21

- Be at peace with all men (are you at peace with everyone today?)
 - **Matthew 5:9**
- Never take your own revenge.
- **Verse #19** is quoted from the Book of Deuteronomy.
- Instead of taking revenge what are we challenged to do (verse 20).
- **Cain and Able** (sin crouches at your heart door and it's desire is to master you!)

Unforgiveness is a cancer to our souls that carries many curses.