



Making Room



What are your unexpected tragedies, losses, wounds?...

...unexpected issues or events,

large or small...

...some of which are

self inflicted...

***...and some others are
perpetrated upon you by
others,***

**that significantly alter the trajectory of your life
from the ideal you deeply ache for.**

What are your unexpected tragedies, losses, wounds?...

...unexpected issues or events,

large or small...

...some of which are

self inflicted...

***...and some others are
perpetrated upon you by
others,***

**that significantly alter the trajectory of your life
from the ideal you deeply ache for.**

What are your unexpected tragedies, losses, wounds?...

...unexpected issues or events,

large or small...

...some of which are

self inflicted...

***...and some others are
perpetrated upon you by
others,***

**that significantly alter the trajectory of your life
from the ideal you deeply ache for.**

Making Room



*...in the unexpected tragedies, losses,
and wounds that are perpetrated upon
you by others,*

**that significantly alter the trajectory of your life
from the ideal you deeply ache for...**



Making Room



*...in the unexpected tragedies, losses,
and wounds that are perpetrated upon
you by others,*

*that significantly alter the trajectory of your life
from the ideal you deeply ache for...*

...for forgiveness!

Forgiveness is not just a part of the Christian life...

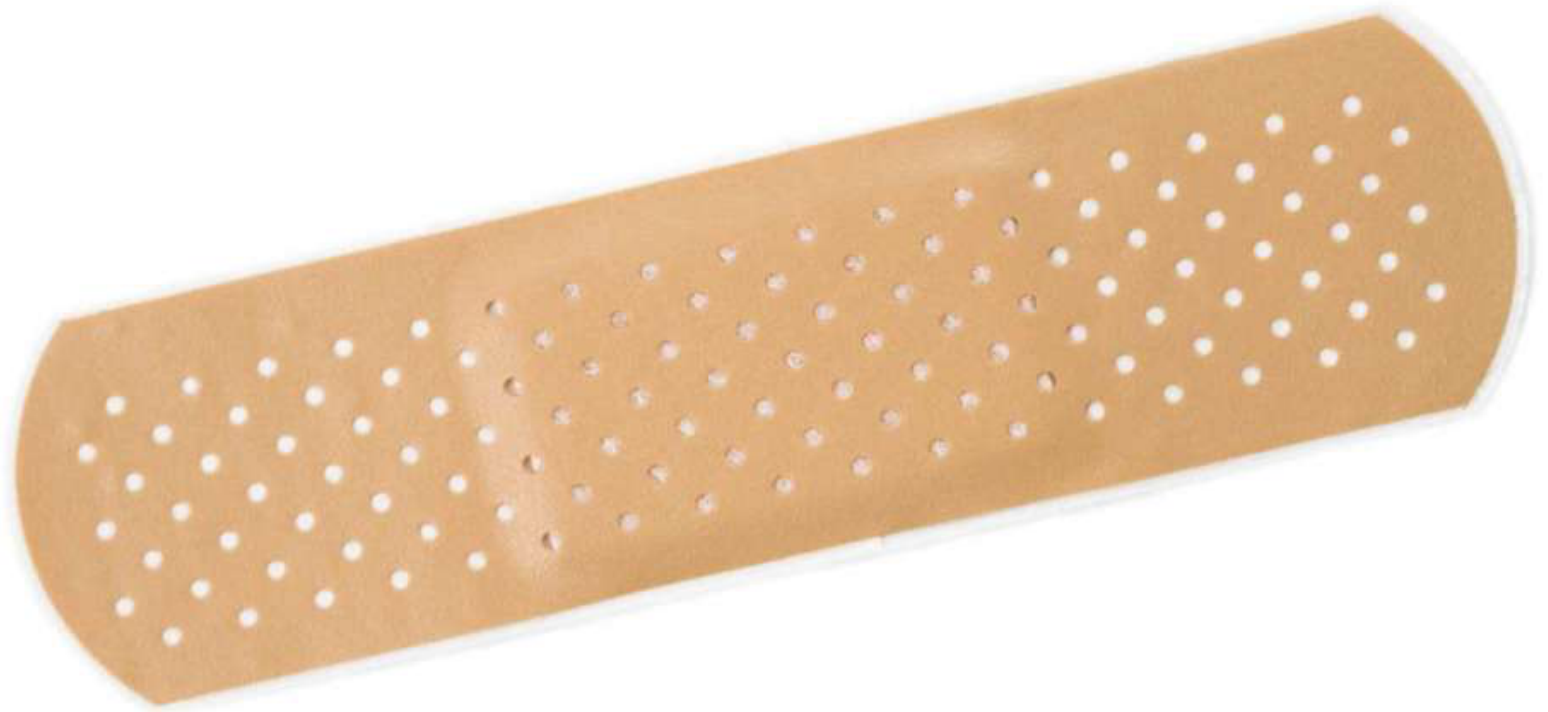
Forgiveness is not just a part of the Christian life...

...it is not just a portion of the gospel...

Forgiveness is not just a part of the Christian life...

...it is not just a portion of the gospel...

**...it is the core quality of the nature of God's character
that we are intended to experience and to replicate!**





Definition of Forgiveness:

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

...to give up my right to hurt you for hurting me.

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

...to give up my right to hurt you for hurting me.

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

...to give up my right to hurt you for hurting me.

Colossians 3:1-13

- 1 If then you have been raised with Christ,
seek the things that are above,
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
- 2 Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on earth.
- 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ
in God.
- 4 When Christ who is your life appears,
then you also will appear with Him in glory.

Colossians 3:1-13

- 1 If then you have been raised with Christ,
seek the things that are above,
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
- 2 Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on earth.
- 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ
in God.
- 4 When Christ **who is your life** appears,
then you also will appear with Him in glory.

- 5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you:
sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire,
and covetousness, which is idolatry.
- 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
- 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living
in them.
- 8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath,
malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.
- 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have
put off the old self with its practices
- 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed
in knowledge after the image of its creator.

- 5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you:
sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire,
and covetousness, which is idolatry.
- 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
- 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living
in them.
- 8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath,
malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.
- 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have
put off the old self with its practices
- 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed
in knowledge after the image of its creator.

- 5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you:
sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire,
and covetousness, which is idolatry.
- 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
- 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living
in them.
- 8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath,
malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.
- 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have
put off the old self with its practices
- 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed
in knowledge after the image of its creator.

- 5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you:
sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire,
and covetousness, which is idolatry.
- 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
- 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living
in them.
- 8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath,
malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.
- 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have
put off the old self with its practices
- 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed
in knowledge after the image of its creator.

11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

forgiving each other;
as the Lord has forgiven you,
so you also must forgive.

11 **Here** there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

 forgiving each other;
as the Lord has forgiven you,
so you also must forgive.

11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but **Christ is all, and in all.**

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,
forgiving each other;
as the Lord has forgiven you,
so you also must forgive.

11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but **Christ is all, and in all.**

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

forgiving each other;
as the Lord has forgiven you,
so you also must forgive.

11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but **Christ is all, and in all.**

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

forgiving each other;

the Lord has forgiven you
so also you.

11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but **Christ is all, and in all.**

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

forgiving each other;

the Lord has **forgiven** you
so also you.

11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but **Christ is all, and in all.**

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

forgiving each other;

the Lord has **forgiven** you
so also you.

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

**...to give up your right to hurt someone
because they hurt you.**

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

...to stop keeping score.

Definition of Forgiveness:

...“to forgive” means
to wipe the slate clean,
to pardon,
to cancel a debt,
to extend favor,
to express and impart unearned grace.

**...to embrace what it means to be transformed
and as a result to graciously live it out.**

Making Room

So....therefore....what now?

Do you appreciate the new 'wardrobe' you wear now that you are forgiven in Christ?

Do you appreciate the new 'wardrobe' you wear now that you are forgiven in Christ?

Who do you need to forgive?

Do you appreciate the new 'wardrobe' you wear now that you are forgiven in Christ?

Who do you need to forgive?

Eight Steps of Forgiveness

1. Acknowledge the violation and pain.
2. Think through the violation and pain in order to find meaning in it.
3. Put yourself in the shoes of the offender.
4. Remember that God has forgiven you.
5. Remember that God commands us to forgive.
6. Let go of the violation and pain.
7. Continue to forgive.
8. Pray for the one who hurt you.

Do you appreciate the new 'wardrobe' you wear now that you are forgiven in Christ?

Who do you need to forgive?

Are you ready to celebrate Christ as the one who paid for your forgiveness with His blood that brings about your redemption?

Ephesians 1:7

In Christ we have redemption through His blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses,
according to the riches of His grace,
which He lavished upon us...

Ephesians 1:7

In Christ we have redemption through His blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses,
according to the riches of His grace,
which He lavished upon us...

Jesus said,
“Do this in remembrance of Me!”



Making Room



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts,

as we also forgive those who have trespassed against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

(for Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever).

Amen