

Forgiveness

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Matthew 6:14-15 (NIV)

14. "For if You Forgive other people when they sin against you, your HEAVENLY FATHER will also Forgive you." 15. "But if you do not Forgive others their sins, your FATHER will not Forgive your sins."

GOD gave JESUS the power to forgive people of their sins, even if a person has sinned greatly, their sins could be forgiven by **The MOST HIGH GOD**. It doesn't mean that we should continue to sin, but we should confess our sins and repent. A really good example of this is in the 7th chapter of Luke when a woman of many sins and a bad reputation, anointed JESUS' feet with expensive oil; wet His feet with her tears; and wiped them off with her hair.

48."Then JESUS said to her, your sins are Forgiven." 49. The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even Forgives sins?" 50. JESUS said to the woman, "Your Faith has Saved you; go in Peace."

The people in the room murmured and talked badly about her, and JESUS knew of their disapproval. The woman didn't argue with those that looked down on her, she knew that the only person that mattered in that room was JESUS and she humbled herself before HIM seeking forgiveness, which she was blessed to receive. If the woman had not demonstrated her repentance, and love for the MESSIAH, she may not have been saved.

JESUS has shown us many examples of forgiveness in GOD'S HOLY WORD. So, it is very important that we learn how to forgive others, whom we believe have trespassed against us. Sometimes, many of us go through lots of trials and tribulations and some of our family and friends, will stick by us, pray for us, and support us through these storms. Maybe other family or so-called friends may take those opportunities to kick us when we are down, spread lies about us and hope things will get worse. But GOD! When, The LORD GOD ALMIGHTY forgives us for our iniquities, it shows us that HE does not allow our sins to be held against us since HE provides a way out, "If we confess our sins, HE is Faithful and Just and will Forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

As we continue on this road of the Love of GOD through JESUS, we may learn that some people may cause themselves to be ill, if they refuse to let forgiveness release the pain of their anger, resentment, stress, vengeance, and hatred toward someone they believed wronged them. Once JEHOVAH NISSI, showed me these things, I always pray and ask GOD to forgive me for my sins and to forgive others, because I'm not strong enough to do these things on my own. I have Faith that JEHOVAH JIREH, will give me what I need to Succeed in Forgiveness.

There may be some situations in life that cause us to become upset or angry. But we must learn to forgive and keep it moving. "Blessed is the one whose transgressions are Forgiven, whose sins are covered."