

Chapter 10: "Forgive as God Forgave You"*

Colossians 3:13 (NKJV)

bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

What Forgiveness Is Not (206)

Forgiveness is not a feeling.

Forgiveness is not forgetting.

Forgiveness is not excusing.

What Forgiveness Is

"To forgive someone means to release him or her from liability to suffer punishment or penalty." (207)

Forgiveness is a decision – a promise. (209)

"I will not ______ on this incident."

"I will not ______ this incident again and use it against you."

"I will not talk to ______ about this incident."

"I will not let this incident stand between us or hinder our personal relationship."

Steps to Take to Overcome Unforgiveness (213-218)

- Confirm repentance.
- Renounce sinful attitudes and expectations.
- Assess _____ contribution to the problem.
- Recognize God is working for _____.
- Remember ______ forgiveness. (Matthew 18:21–35)
- Draw on God's _____.

Forgiveness and Reconciliation (219)

- Forgiveness knocks down the _____ of ____ between you and the other person.
- Reconciliation is the ______ of changing attitudes that leads to a change in relationship.

The replacement principle. (219–223)

- In _____. (Phil 4:4–7)
- In _____. (2 Cor 2:7)
- In _____. (1 John 3:18)

Chapter 11: "Look Also to the Interests of Others"

Philippians 2:4 (NKJV) Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Competitive vs. Cooperative Negotiation

Inherent weaknesses in competitive negotiation:

- Often fails to produce the best possible solution. The tendency is to focus on the ______ rather than the source issues.
- Can be _____.
- Can significantly ______ personal ______.

Scriptural commendation for cooperative negotiation

- Matthew 22:37:
- 1 Corinthians 13:5:
- Matthew 7:12:
- Philippians 2:3–4:

Note: loving others does	mean always	in (see Phil 2:4
and Matt 10:16).		

Cooperative Negotiation Acronym

- Р_____.
- A_____ relationships
- U_____ interests.
- S_____ for creative solutions.
- E_____ options objectively and reasonably.

Step 1: P_____

- Pray.
- Get the _____.
- Identify issues and interests.
- _____ the Bible.
- Develop _____.
- Anticipate ______
- Plan an alternative to a negotiated agreement.
- Plan your opening remarks with a ______ tone.
- Seek _____.

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