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Forgiving Grace

FORGIVENESS OUIZ

*A person should not be forgiven until he asks for it *Forgiving includes minimizing the offense and pain caused. *Forgiveness includes restoring trust and reuniting a relationship. *You haven't really forgiven until you have forgotten the offense. *When I see someone hurt, it is my duty to forgive the offender.

A. What forgiveness is NOT

- 1. It isn't conditional.
- It isn't minimizing the seriousness of the offense.
- It isn't resuming a relationship without changes.
- It isn't forgetting what happened.
- It isn't my right when I wasn't the one who was hurt.

What is genuine forgiveness?

- Remembering how much I have been forgiven.
- Relinquishing my right to get even.
- Responding to evil with good.
- Repeating the process as long as necessary.

Why offer grace to others?

- God is gracious to me.
- The alternative is bitterness.
- 3. God expects me to do it.

Some of the Scriptures used to form this message:

Ephesians 2:8 & 9 Psalm 147:3

Romans 3:23

Matthew 10:8

Hebrews 12:1

Ephesians 4:32 Romans 12:19

Luke 6:27-28

1 Corinthians 13:5 Matthew 18:21-22

Hebrews 12:15 Matthew 6:15