

“THE ONE-ANOTHERS” PT. 1

FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER

Unforgiveness is:

1. _____ -it sneaks in so you don't even know it is there
2. _____ -maybe not seen as a “big” sin, but we all have it
3. _____ -known as “the cancer of the soul”; it eats us alive

Matthew 18:21-35

Unforgiveness is a self-inflicted _____ or a self-induced _____.

Forgiveness or unforgiveness is always a _____!

Colossians 3:13 “accepting one another and _____ one another”

Ephesians 4:32 “be kind and compassionate to one another, _____ another”

Luke 11:4 “forgive us our sins, for we ourselves also _____ everyone”

Mark 11:25 “if you have anything against anyone, _____ him”

Matthew 6:14-15 “For _____ you _____ people their wrongdoing, your heavenly Father will _____ you as well. But _____ you don't _____ people, your Father will _____ your wrongdoing.”

Why should we forgive:

1. to be like our forgiving Father
2. to remind us of all we have been forgiven for
3. it is good for our soul

What does forgiveness do for you:

1. Forgiveness brings _____.

*Unforgiveness is a ball and chain of your own making

2. Forgiveness brings _____.

*We can close the door on the past hurts that continue to stop us

3. Forgiveness brings _____.

*God's forgiveness made us alive

Holding an offense against someone is like being a jailer, while the offending party is in the jail. You're keeping them in there. You alone have the key to let them out, but you just won't, because of what they did to you. The problem is, since you're the jailer, you're stuck there too. Oh, the person might be behind the bars, but you can't go anywhere either. The only way to set yourself free is by letting them go, too.

Are you in prison today?

Are you keeping someone else in prison?

Forgiveness principles:

1. I will never bring it up to the person again

2. I will never bring it up to someone else