

A Prayer for Forgiving Others

Dear Daily Devotional Reader,

I am printing one of our prayer cards in today's devotion. We cannot have unforgiveness in our lives, as believers. Read the prayer, print it out and use it as often as you need to. Look up the scriptures referenced below and become familiar with them.

I look forward to sharing more with you tomorrow.

Your partner in faith,

Brother Rich

Remember, God wishes above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers (3 John 2).

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Father God, I come to You in the Name of Jesus to make a personal commitment to walk in the God-kind of love. I've made the decision to love and forgive everyone who has spoken or come against me or my loved ones. I refuse to hold any aught, ill feelings, unforgiveness, strife or discord in my life.¹ I want my heart always to be pure and perfect before You.²

According to Your written Word, love never fails; perfect love casts out fear; faith works by love, and the greatest of these is love.³ The love of God is shed abroad in my heart by the Holy Ghost.⁴ Love is the first fruit of the spirit that is to grow and develop in my life, and above all, Jesus gave me a new commandment that I love everyone.⁵

God, I ask You to forgive _____ for whatever they may have said or done to come against me. Lay not this sin to their charge.⁶ Forgive them, for they know not what they've done.⁷ Lord, I remind You that You've forgiven me of all my sins, wrongdoings, faults and shortcomings.⁸ Jesus forgave all those who persecuted and crucified Him, as well as those who personally attacked Him. Stephen forgave those who railed against him and stoned him. If Jesus could forgive when they were crucifying Him and Stephen could forgive when they were stoning him, I know and believe that I can forgive anyone who has come against me and my loved ones. This is because I can do all things through Christ, Who gives me the strength.⁹

Jesus said I can have what I say.¹⁰ Therefore, based on the written Word of God,¹¹ my confession of faith is the following:

In the Name of Jesus, I'm not moved by what I see, by what others do to me or say about me, nor by how they treat me. I refuse to be a carnal Christian.¹² I choose to be spiritually mature in the Lord. If no one else in the body of Christ walks in the God-kind of love that is none of my business! I am walking in the God-kind of love. I don't hold a grudge or resentment against anyone, and I refuse to allow my flesh and carnal nature to dominate me. I refuse to be ruled by my emotions or feelings.

I walk in the Spirit.¹³ I walk by faith and not by sight, and I always walk in the God-kind of love.¹⁴ Because I do, I reap the benefits of long life, good health and divine protection.¹⁵ Everything always works out for my good, and whatever I do prospers. I don't sit in the seat of the scornful, but on the contrary, I'm ruling and reigning in this life with Christ Jesus.¹⁶ Satan has no place in my life because I have no guile in me. I love everyone the same with the God-kind of love. I never return railing for railing, and I'm always quick to forgive and slow to speak.¹⁷ I'm not easily provoked, and I think evil of no one because my trust is in the Lord and not in man.¹⁸

Since I operate my Christian life in the God-kind of love and have forgiven everyone of everything, I'm always blessed with the blessings of the Lord. I refrain my tongue from evil, and my lips speak no guile.¹⁹ Therefore, my faith is not hindered and I know God has heard and answered my prayers. As it is written,

"For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." 1 John 3:20 - 22

Thank You, Father God, for always helping me to forgive others and walk in love, in Jesus' Name.
Amen.

Scriptural References:

¹ Mark 11:25,26;

James 3:14,16

² 2 Timothy 2:22

³ 1 Corinthians 13:8;

1 John 4:18;

Galatians 5:6;

1 Corinthians 13:13

⁴ Romans 5:5

⁵ Galatians 5:22;

John 13:34, 35

⁶ Acts 7:60

⁷ Luke 23:34

⁸ Isaiah 43:25

⁹ Philippians 4:13

¹⁰ Mark 11:23

¹¹ Matthew 4:4

¹² 1 Corinthians 3:3

¹³ Galatians 5:16

¹⁴ 2 Corinthians 5:7;

Ephesians 5:2

¹⁵ Deuteronomy 28:1-14;

Psalms 91

¹⁶ Psalm 1:1;

Romans 5:17

¹⁷ 1 Peter 3:9; James 1:19

¹⁸ 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 ¹⁹ 1 Peter 3:10