



Forgive Sinners

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Talk It Over

Love Like Jesus
Week 1:
"Forgive Sinners"

Focus: If we want to live like Jesus, we need to love like Jesus.

SMALL TALK

1. Trivia?: How many times should we forgive people and who said it? (Matthew 18:21-22)
2. Share a funny childhood story of holding a grudge.

VIEWPOINT

3. **READ Luke 23:32-34.** How was Jesus able to pray that prayer at that moment?
4. **READ Matthew 6:14-15.** Why do you think God wants us to forgive even what seems to us to be unforgivable?
5. Read and talk about any reactions you feel when reading these scriptures: Matthew 5:43-44; 18:21-22; Luke 6:28, 37; Ephesians 4:32; and Colossians 3:13.

GETTING PERSONAL

6. Have you ever held a grudge against someone? How did unforgiveness affect you?
7. Why do you think it works to pray for people who hurt you?
8. In light of the message, who will you pray for this week? When and how often? Is there anyone you still need to forgive? How will you take action instead of waiting for your feelings to change?

MAKING PROGRESS

9. One of our core statements is: "Followers say, 'Follow me.'" Can forgiveness fulfill this core statement? How?

HOW DO YOU FORGIVE LIKE JESUS?

I. Pray for those who _____ you.

II. Forgive as you've been _____.

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