

Woodland Hills Family Church
Home Groups Discussion
March 4, 2018

Love Like Confetti
Part 2 - Forgive One Another

Read the following verse from Ephesians, discuss and apply it to the three statements following:

31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. **32** Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Ephesians 4:31-32

- 1. I must forgive because I've been forgiven.**
- 2. My inability to forgive is a Source problem, not a people problem.**
- 3. I need to forgive and be forgiven.**

Discuss the following roadblocks to forgiveness. Have you ever experienced any of these? If so, how have you overcome them?

Prioritizing an issue over the relationship
Stubbornness
Fear of condoning the offense
Compounding anger
Blindspots

Read the following scripture, and discuss experiences of forgiveness in your life.

Bear with each other and **forgive** one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. **Forgive** as the Lord forgave you. Colossians 3:13

Have you ever experienced situations that require EGR (Extra Grace Required)? How did you handle these situations? Did they help you grow as a Christian?

21 Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?"

22 Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.” Matthew 18:21-22

Share your thoughts on the following:

Forgiveness is me giving up the right to hurt you for hurting me.

Unreconciled relationships do not get better over time.

Craft a good apology without creating new offenses.

Ask for forgiveness, but don't demand it.

The only way out is forgiveness.

Forgive and forget.

If time permits read **John 8:1-11** and discuss this great teaching opportunity by Jesus on forgiveness.