



Today's Sermon



Matthew 6: 10 - 13

“FORGIVENESS”

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10 Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. **11** Give us this day our daily bread, **12** and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. **13** And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Last Week's Conclusion

- Forgiveness is given
Respect and trust are won and lost
- Forgiveness says:
You no longer owe me. You owe God
- Forgiveness does not say:
I must trust or respect you
I must 'like' you

God's Curative Approach

Confession and the Cross

- 1 Jn. 1: 8 – 2: 1
Cleansing precedes forgiving
Confession confronts bitterness
- Phil. 2: 3 – 8
Yielding my rights releases Christ's power
Dead men feel no pain

God's Preventive Approach

Fervent Love

- 1 Pt. 4: 7 – 9
- 'Above All' – most importantly
- 'Cover' – conceal, hide
- 'Sin' – failure, shortcoming
Cover weaknesses and pettiness that can cause friction

God's Preventive Approach

Conflict Resolution

- Matt. 18: 15 – 18
- 'Sin Against' - do actual or moral harm
- to pain, injure, cause to stumble
- Not the same 'sins' we cover
- Brings a holy resolution, one way or another
- Gives me a platform to forgive and restore

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