

MESSAGE NOTE

Forgive One Another Part 2

Ephesians 4:2-3

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1. Unity in the family

Ephesians 4:2-3 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

God wants us to be united together in love. Because we are His family. He is our loving heavenly Father and we are His children. We should be careful how we speak to and about each other. Because we are all brothers and sisters in Christ.

2. Love your enemy

1 Peter 2:23 When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

Jesus left us the best possible example of how to forgive our enemies. He didn't respond to their insults and threats. He prayed, 'Father forgive them for they do not know what they do.' This is the level of forgiveness God has shown towards us. And it is the same level of forgiveness we can show to the people around us.

3. Giving it to God

Acts 7:60 And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Entrusting injustice and unfairness to God is crucial in forgiving other people. We know that He will make up for every injustice on this earth. And that He will continue to love us for all eternity.