

PREACHING CURRICULUM

Forgive One Another

Colossians 3:12-17; Eph 4:32

"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive." Colossians 3:13b

"Nobody wins without forgiveness..."

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Read Colossians 3:12-17. What virtues are we instructed to put on in this passage?

As discussed during the sermon, what are the two elements of forgiveness? What is the difference between them?

Is it possible to forgive someone who has not repented of the offence? If so, how?

Why does Paul want us to forgive one another? What reason does he mention in the text?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

Is there someone in your life who has offended you and is currently in need of your forgiveness? If so, in what ways could you practice forgiveness toward that person?

What is your biggest obstacle to forgiving other people who have offended you?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

Why is it important to practice forgiveness in our relationships? What would happen if we failed to forgive others?

How is it possible to offer forgiveness to those who have deeply and profoundly hurt us? What ultimately gives us the strength and motivation to do it?

How do you know if you have actually forgiven someone?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

How will you practice forgiveness toward others this week to put the Gospel on display?

Remember what God has forgiven you from and allow that to help you forgive others!