

Grace Bible Chapel

Luke – Message #100

Sunday, Aug 31st, 2025

Luke 11:4b – Lord, Teach Us to Pray: The Pardon We Share

- V. **Jesus' Journey Toward Jerusalem** (9:51-19:27)
 - e. **Ministry in Samaria, Bethany, and Judea** (9:51-13:35)
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 - xiv. *Lord, Teach Us to Pray: The Pardon We Seek* (4a)
 - xv. **Lord, Teach Us to Pray: The Pardon We Share** (4b)

Key Passage: Luke 11:4a-b, “And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves also forgive everyone who is indebted to us...”

Introduction: _____

I. **The Principle of Forgiveness:** (Luke 11:4b; Mt 18:28-35; Col 2:13-14; Eph 4:32 & Col 3:13) _____

II. **The Prerequisite of Forgiveness:** (Mat 6:14-15; Rom 8:1; Jn 13:5-10) _____

III. **The Practice of Forgiveness:** (Rom 12:19; Col 3:13; Matthew 18:21-22) _____

Conclusion: _____

Reflection Questions:

1. In what ways did Jesus tie together our request for pardon from God with our practice of forgiving others? Why is it impossible to separate the two?
2. How does the parable of the unforgiving servant (Mt 18) expose the hypocrisy of withholding forgiveness?
3. In what ways does bitterness or unforgiveness act like a wall that blocks my joy in fellowship with God?
4. In what practical ways can I live out genuine, from-the-heart forgiveness this week?

Heart Check:

- Do I forgive others as freely and fully as I daily ask my Father to forgive me, or am I clinging to debts He has already called me to release?

“The idea is not simply that we have been forgiven, and therefore we ought to forgive, but that God Himself, in Christ has forgiven us, and therefore our debt is incalculable. No matter how much wretched evil has been done against us, it is little compared with the offense that we have thrown in the face of God. Yet God in Christ has forgiven us. If we know anything of the release of this forgiveness, if we have glimpsed anything of the magnitude of the debt we owe to God, our forgiveness of others will not seem to be such a large leap.”

D.A. Carson – Love in the Hard Places