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SET APART

The Two Sides of Forgiveness: Part 1

2 Samuel 12:1-15

How to offer forgiveness:

- 1) Recognize the fullness of the offense.
- 2) Extend grace and mercy without removing all the consequences.
 - Forgive and redeem.
- 3) Walk together through repentance and reconciliation.

Principles of reconciliation

- Pray
- Presence
- Perseverance
- Peace

Memory Verses

2 Timothy 2:21 ... *"Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work."*

1 Peter 2:9–12 ... *"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation."*

Scripture to Pray

"All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation."

2 Corinthians 5:18–19

Live the Word

- 1) Is there anyone in my life to whom I need to offer forgiveness?
- 2) What does it look like to offer grace and mercy while not removing all consequences?
- 3) If they repent, what would the path to reconciliation look like?