

What Good Is It?

FORGIVING OTHERS

This lesson is simply a matching exercise between the reasons for giving thanks and the Bible verses where they're located. It is strictly a summary and does not attempt to cover the subject completely. Why don't you do your own study later?

Write the Bible verse letter next to the correct statement.

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| a. Joel 2:13 | ___ | No matter how hard it is, it is the honorable thing to do. |
| b. Peter 3:9 | ___ | It helps us overlook a lot of unimportant stuff. |
| c. Peter 4:8 | ___ | Tells God how much you appreciate His forgiveness. |
| d. Galatians 6:1 | ___ | Eliminates your need to hold grudges against others. |
| e. Matthew 6:14 | ___ | It brings people (whether friends or enemies) close. |
| f. Luke 6:37 | ___ | It proves to all that you have a sincere faith in God. |
| g. Luke 7:47 | ___ | It eliminates the need to judge & condemn people. |
| h. Mark 11:25 | ___ | God always intended for us to forgive others. |
| i. Romans 12:17 | ___ | It eliminates the need to be angry & to get even. |
| j. Proverbs 17:9 | ___ | It proves he who forgives a person loves the person. |

1. Which statement (reason) for forgiving others spoke the loudest. Underline it.
2. Based on the statement you chose, would you make a decision to forgive the person who has caused you great grief & harm? (Right now?) ___Yes ___No

3. Please comment on the statement above "It proves that he who forgives a person loves that person". That is a heavy one. Please comment on how you feel about it.

4. If this is as hard for you as it is for me, then we have a decision to make. Which decisions apply to you?
 - a. ___ Even though God has forgiven that person, I cannot and will not.
 - b. ___ Even though this person is important to God too, I cannot forgive him/her.
 - c. ___ Even though this person has value despite the mistakes, and needs a chance to find God, have peace, and enjoy success & a second chance in life, I cannot & will not forgive him/her.
 - d. Please comment on this: "I am sure glad God did not have that attitude toward me". _____
