

And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins. Mark 11:25 (NIV)

Forgiveness

You want to become like me, is that correct? Yes, I want to become like you. I thought it was your plan to mold and shape my life so that I become like you. **That is my plan.** So, you want me to love like you love. You want me to give like you gave. You want me to serve like you served. Do I have the right idea? **Yes, you do have the right idea.** I know that I will never be perfect. I will fall short and miss the mark of becoming just like you. I know that I will sin and need your forgiveness. **You have my forgiveness.** I also know that you will keep on molding and shaping my life everyday so that I will continue to become more like you. **That's exactly right.** Your work in my life will continue right up until the day that I come to live forever in heaven with you. **That's right.** You started our conversation with a question. **Yes, I did.** Do you have something specific in mind that was part of your question? **Yes, I do.**

What else do you want to ask me? Is there something you want me to do that I am not doing? Where do you want to continue to mold and shape my life right now? **I want you to forgive others just as I have forgiven you.** I had a feeling that was what you might say to me. **Why is that?** I have been hurt. I have been wounded. I have been mistreated and attacked. **You're not too happy about what you have had to suffer.** No, not at all. **You have been quite unhappy about how you have been mistreated.** That's right. **You are holding on to some anger and bitterness toward those who have attacked you.** Yes, I am. **I would like to ask you some more questions.** Go ahead, I'm listening. **Was I ever hurt and wounded? Was I ever mistreated and attacked?** Yes, you were hurt, wounded, mistreated and attacked many times. **So, we share this in common?** Yes, we do, at least in part. **Did I ever hold on to anger and bitterness toward my attackers?** No, you did not. You prayed for everyone who mistreated and hurt you. **Yes, I did.** You forgave those who wounded and attacked you? **Yes, I did.**

Do you still want to become like me? Yes, I do. Will you forgive others just as I have forgiven you? Yes Lord, I will. **That will be very good.**

Lord, thank you for forgiving me of all my sins and cleansing me of all my unrighteousness. Help me to forgive all others just as you have forgiven me. Use me as a vibrant witness for you as I extend to others the same forgiveness I have received from you. Amen

Prayer *Forgive Him*

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NIV Mark 11:25

Prayer *Forgive*

And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses."

ESV Mark 11:25

Prayer *Forgive Anyone*

But when you are praying, first forgive anyone you are holding a grudge against, so that your Father in heaven will forgive your sins, too."

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And when you assume the posture of prayer, remember that it's not all asking. If you have anything against someone, forgive—only then will your heavenly Father be inclined to also wipe your slate clean of sins."

MSG Mark 11:25

Prayer *Forgive Him*

And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him and let it drop (leave it, let it go), in order that your Father Who is in heaven may also forgive you your [own] failings and shortcomings and let them drop.

AMP Mark 11:25

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TLB Mark 11:25

Prayer *Forgive*

"Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you your transgressions.

NASB Mark 11:25

Prayer *Forgive Him*

When you are praying, if you are angry with someone, forgive him so that your Father in heaven will also forgive your sins."

NCV Mark 11:25

Forgive Him

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Prayer – Mark 11:25

In Context: *Read Mark 11*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

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What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When have you been so upset and angry and unforgiving toward someone that you could not pray?

Why will holding an unforgiving attitude toward someone hinder your prayers?

When have you asked the Lord to show you if you have an unforgiving attitude toward someone?

How has receiving forgiveness from your Heavenly Father helped you extend forgiveness to others?

What must you do if you are holding an unforgiving attitude toward someone?

Who do you need to forgive so that your Heavenly Father will forgive your sins and hear your prayers?

How has the Lord used your forgiving attitude, as a witness, to display His forgiveness to others?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Take a close inventory of all your relationships and make sure to forgive all others just as you have been forgiven.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that your Father will forgive your sins and hear your prayers as you freely extend forgiveness to others.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how you are freely forgiving all others just as you have been forgiven.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you forgive others just as you have been forgiven.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will forgive others just as you have forgiven me.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, is there anyone I need to forgive just as you have forgiven me?
