

**Developing Passionate Disciples for Jesus:
Reconciliation
April 30, 2023**

What gets in the way of Forgiveness?

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God has forgiven us _____.

Jesus is _____.

We forgive others _____.

Four Myths:

Myth #1: Forgiveness is the result of my emotional healing.

- **God's Word of Truth:** Forgiveness is the _____ of my emotional healing.
- *Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with hearts of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Bear with one another and forgive any complaint you may have against someone else. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which is the bond of perfect unity....*
Colossians 3:12-14

Myth #2: Forgiveness means I forget that the pain never happened.

- **God's Word of Truth:** There's freedom in _____.
- *Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.* Ephesians 4:32

Myth #3: If I have a difficult time forgiving then I haven't really forgiven.

- **God's Word of Truth:** Christ came for _____.
- *"For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God"* 2 Corinthians 5:21

Myth #4: I'll forgive when they _____.

- **God's Word of Truth:**
- *"Forgive them, Lord, for they know not what they do!" (Luke 23:34); "Today you will be with Me in paradise!" (Luke 23:43)*

What does all this mean?

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