



Forgiveness

A. God Wants us to forgive

- Jesus said that (Mt 6:12, 14, 15)
- Paul said that (Eph 4:32)

B. Urban Legend: Forgiving means

- We often get the idea that forgiveness is _____ that nothing _____
- Others see forgiveness as the complete _____ of a broken _____ including the same levels of _____ & _____
- Others say to forgive is to literally _____ what happened

C. The Bible teaches that God forgets when He forgives (Jer 31:34; Heb. 8:12)

God Forgetting Creates Some Real Theological Problems

- It means that we _____ God Doesn't (2 Sam 12:13)
- It creates a problem with _____ (1 Tim 1:13)

This Urban Legend

Causes people to be _____ with God
It leads to _____ expectations

It destroys _____ with Christ

- We simple do not feel like _____ people.

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2. Print only the ODD page.
3. Now FLIP THE NOTECARD OVER so the blank side is ready.
4. Print ONLY the EVEN pages.

When God **Remembers** it means to _____ His work with a person (Gen 7:23-8:1)

- When God remembers our sins no more it means that he no longer responds to us in light of this sins . . . they no longer _____ our relationship with Him. . . They no longer _____ His wrath

To forget is not a _____ issue but a _____ issue

To forget is not a _____ of the mind but a _____ of the heart

To forget is not to _____ but rather to _____

- Forgiveness involves _____
- Forgiveness always comes with a _____
- Forgiveness is an _____

Three things God's forgiveness does not do

1. It does not remove _____
2. It does not _____ everything
3. It does not mean people will _____ me

What Helps with Forgiveness

1. To remember that I have been _____
2. To spend time with _____
3. To leave room for the _____ of God