



Sermon Outline
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Total Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21ff

²¹ Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" ²² Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times." (490???)

³⁴ "In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. ³⁵ This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

When everything in you wants to hold a grudge, point a finger and remember the pain, God wants to help you to let yourself, and the other person as well, off the hook through total forgiveness.

From R.T. Kendall - *Total Forgiveness!*

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Three Things that Total Forgiveness IS NOT!

1. Not---Finding some means of _____ for what they did.
2. Not---_____ of what they did.
3. Not---_____

Six things that Total Forgiveness IS!

1. Being fully aware of what someone has done and still choosing to _____.

"But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." **Romans 5:8**

2. Choosing to keep no _____.

"Love keeps no record of wrongs." **1 Cor. 13:5**

3. Refusing to _____.

"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love." **1 John 4:18**

4. Not _____ what they did.

"If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you". **Matt 18:15**

5. Being _____.

"Be merciful just as your father is merciful." **Luke 6:36**

6. It is an _____ condition with an _____ expression.

"... unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."
Matt 18:35