

CAN'T WE ALL JUST GET ALONG?

“Be Forgiving” (PHILEMON)

INTRODUCTION

- What Is Forgiveness?

EXPOSITION

- **When You Forgive, You Promise...**

1. To not dwell on the incident. _____
2. To not bring up the incident again and use it against you. _____
3. To not talk to others about this incident. _____
4. To not let this incident stand between you and me in our relationship. _____

- **When Should We Forgive?**

1. _____ is the primary example of forgiveness (Titus 3:4-7).
2. The nature of the _____ will determine how quickly you are to forgive.
3. Unforgiveness is not an option (Matthew 6:14-15).

- **Qualities of Forgiveness from Philemon**

1. Forgiveness _____ thankfulness (vs. 4-5).
2. Forgiveness _____ others (vs. 7).
3. Forgiveness _____ (vs. 8-14).
4. Forgiveness _____ (vs. 15-19).
5. Forgiveness _____ encouragement (vs. 20).
 - III John 3-4
6. Forgiveness is obedience (vs. 21).
 - Ephesians 4:32
 - Colossians 3:13
7. Forgiveness _____ accountability (vs. 22-24).
 - Proverbs 17:9
 - Philippians 1:6

CONCLUSION

TAKE IT A STEP FURTHER

- 1) How can unforgiveness affect our prayers? (Mark 11:25)
- 2) What are some evidences that bitterness has put down roots in your heart? What can you do about it? (Ephesians 4:31)
- 3) Book Recommendation: *From Forgiven to Forgiving* by Jay Adams