

- Series: Just Fix It!.
- “Forewarned is Forearmed.” (Part 3)
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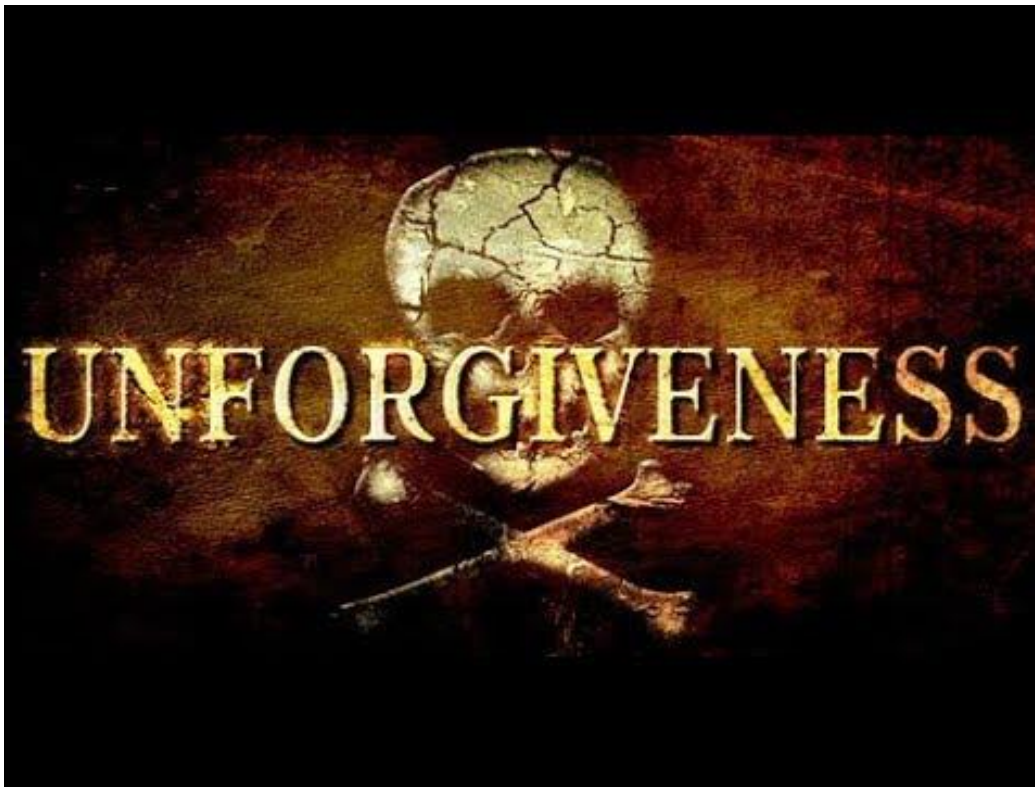
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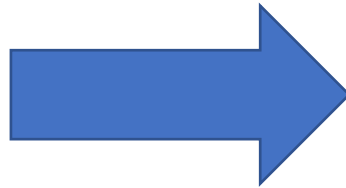


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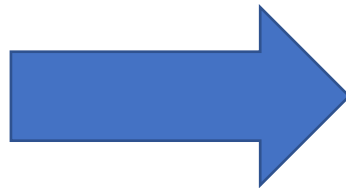
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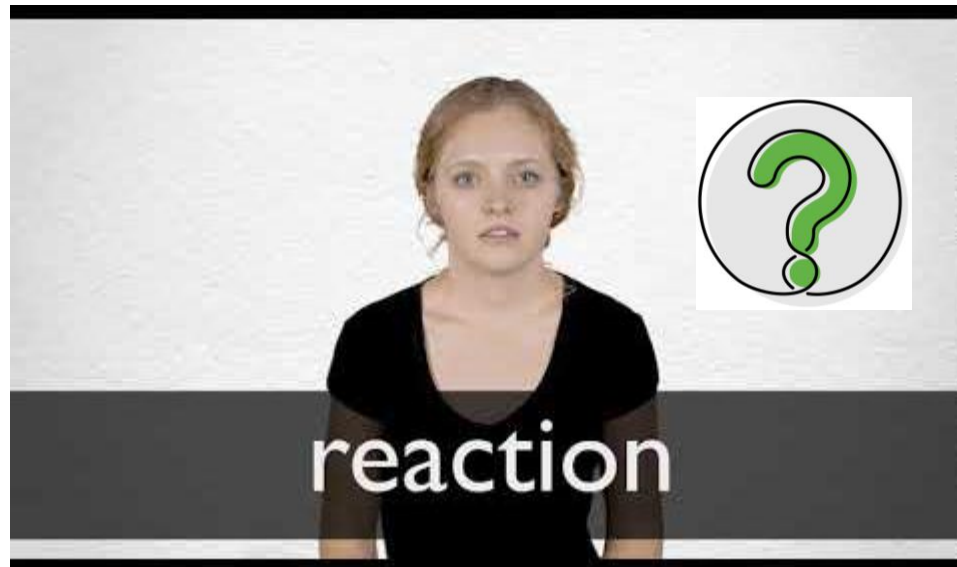
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Ephesians 4:32—And be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ also forgave you.—

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Matthew 18:21-22—<sup>21</sup>Then Peter came and said to Him, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?” <sup>22</sup>Jesus \*said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.

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Matthew 18:15-17—

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<sup>16</sup>But if he does not listen *to you*, take one or two more with you, so that BY THE MOUTH OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES EVERY FACT MAY BE CONFIRMED.

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<sup>17</sup>If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

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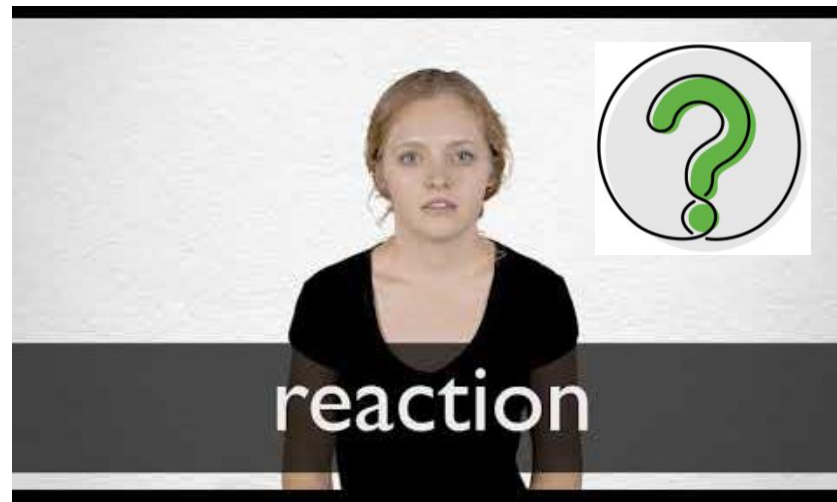
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Matthew 5:23-24—

<sup>23</sup>Therefore if you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you...

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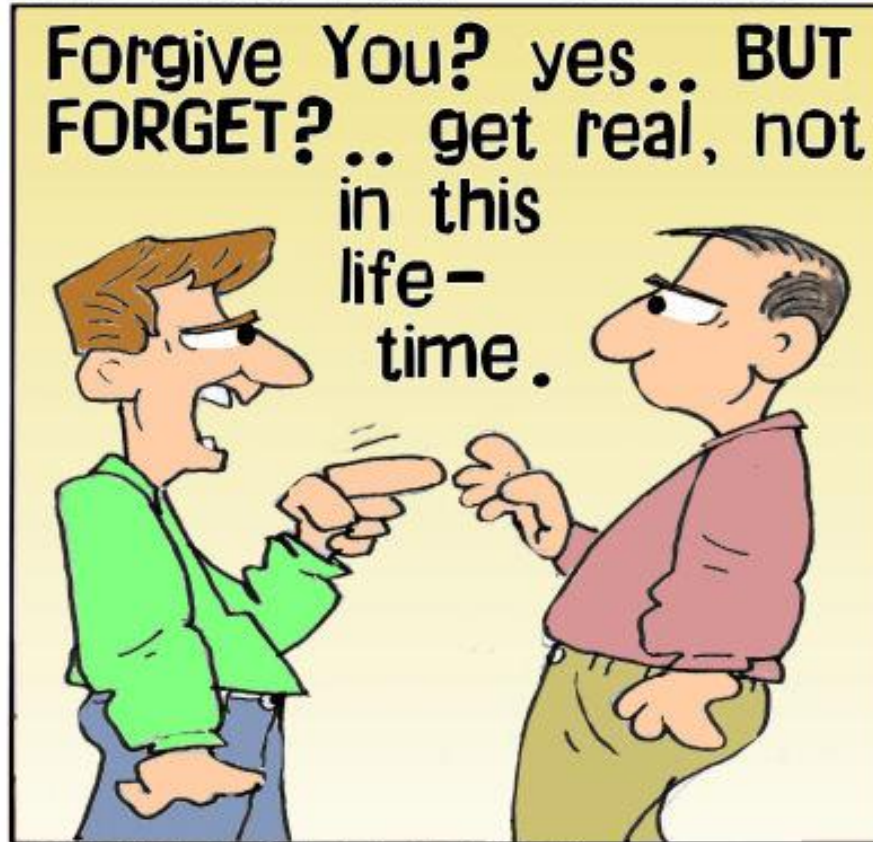
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The Back Pew – Jeff Larson



**FORGET ME NOTS** The difference between man's forgiveness, and God's is that God is forgetful? **1 Jo 1:9, Is 43:25, Ps 103:12**

Isaiah 43:25—  
25 “I, even I, am the one who wipes out your transgressions for My own sake,  
And I will not remember your sins.

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