

# The Cost and Freedom of Forgiveness

*Jesus: Learning From The Savior*

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## 3. How do we forgive?

Romans 12:19

### Introduction

Luke 17:3-5

**Main idea: Forgiven people forgive people.**

### 1. What is forgiveness?

Matthew 6:12, 14-15

### 2. How does God forgive?

1 John 1:9

Colossians 2:13-14

God doesn't ignore sin—he **absorbs it**.

God doesn't excuse the debt—he **cancels it** with his own blood.

### Four Habits of a Forgiving Heart

(1) **Examine** yourself.

(2) **Tell the truth** about the debt.

(3) Choose to **absorb** the debt.

(4) Ask God to **increase your faith**.