**Life Team Bible Study**

For the week of March 26 – Jesus Unfiltered week 8

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* What is your day off activity and why?
* What is something that makes you angry?
* Can you think of something that would be hard to forget?

**Highlight**

Looking back over your sermon notes from Forgiving Others, (Parable of the Unmerciful Servant - Matthew 18:23-35) which particular point or passage of Scripture most challenged, confused or caught your attention in this weekend’s sermon?

**A few highlights:** (leader refer to sermon notes if needed)

* Forgiving doesn't mean – Forgetting - it
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* Forgiving doesn’t mean - No consequences
* Forgiveness means - Refusing to seek revenge
* Forgiveness means - Refusing to be consumed by the past
* Forgiveness means - Giving others what God gave you
* Is there any one of those that stands out or you find hard to accept? Why?
* Why is forgiveness so difficult at times?

Ephesians 4:30-32, Colossians 3:12-15, Matthew 6:12-15

* What do those verses tell us about forgiveness?
* Is forgiveness an option?
* One of the things we talked about Sunday that these verses point out is that forgiveness begins with a look in the mirror. What does that mean?

**Remember – Let’s Take A Look In The Mirror**

**Titus 3:1-7**

* Think back, what was your vice? What was your life like? Take a walk down the road again - remember how foolish you were - your attitude, Actions.
* If you are a Christian share what your life was like before you became a Christian and how you became a Christian? Have different people share.
* If you are not a Christian think for just a moment about how Jesus would affect your life?
  1. **Remember the road you traveled to get here**

**Romans 6:5-7, Ephesians 2:1-3, Ephesians 4:21-23, Galatians 2:20**

* What do you think these verses tell us about our old life before Jesus?

1. **Remember what you have been forgiven**

1. **Remember that following Jesus is to follow a new path for our life**

**1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

* What does this tell us about those who live in a lifestyle of sin?
* What does this verse tell us about coming out of a life of sin?
* How does this verse tell us there I hope for anyone?

1. **Remember those around you who have yet to know Jesus**

* How does remembering what you were like before Jesus, help us to have grace and patience with those around us?

1. **Remember the price that was paid by Jesus**

* How does the cross and remembering what Christ did for us power to forgive?

Something amazing about God’s forgiveness

**God loves to turn his enemies into friends and family**

**Romans 5:8-10, 1 Timothy 1:15-16**

* Can you think of an evil person that you think is beyond God?
* Have you ever known a wild sinner who became a Christian?
* Do think it is possible for our enemies to become our friends?

**Romans 12:18-20**

Is this easy or difficult to do this? Why / why not?

**Forgiveness means - Giving others what God gave you!**

* What did God give you? He gave me a chance to start over...

**Huddle**

**Re-read Romans 12:18-20**

* What is the most challenging aspect for you when it comes to not seeking your own justice or revenge?
* How does God give us the power to forgive?

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2. Who do you need to forgive? Write their name down and pray for them. Pray for blessings, hope, and for Jesus to touch their life.

3. From Sunday - review the notes given that help us understand what forgiving means. Use them to help you walk thru the journey of freedom and forgiveness?

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