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**MOTIVATED TO FORGIVE
PHILEMON 19-22, 25**

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- I have a **debt** that I could never repay. Philem. 19; Rom. 5:8; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 5:17; Acts 9:17-19; Gen. 50:15-21; John 13:15
- I am willing to forgive because I want to be a **blessing** to others. Philem. 20, 7; Gen. 50:15-21; 45:1-15; Rom. 12:3-21
- I am willing to forgive because I **seek** to be obedient. Philem. 21, 8; Matt. 18:21-22; Eph. 4:32; Gen. 50:15-21; Luke 17:3-4
- I am willing to forgive because I want to be **held** accountable. Philem. 22; Heb. 13:17; Rom. 14:10-12; 2 Cor. 5:10; 1 Cor. 3:10-18
- I am willing to forgive because God's **grace** calls for it. Philem. 25; Eph. 2:8-9; 2 Cor. 9:8; 2 Tim. 2:1; 2 Pet. 3:18

Results of forgiveness.

- Restores our **relationship** with God.
 - We are back in fellowship and **intimacy** with God. Matt. 6:14-15; 5:23-24; Ps. 66:18; Prov. 28:13
 - We are back to receiving God's **power**. Eph. 4:30; 1 Thess. 5:19; Eph. 5:18
 - We are back to being **useful** for God's Kingdom. Philem. 8; 1 Cor. 12:7, 11-12; Acts 1:8
- Restores our relationship with **others**.
 - We will not **live** a life of regrets. Philem. 7, 20; Luke 15:25-32; Matt. 27:1-4; 26:69-76; John 21:15-17
 - We open the **door** for reconciliation. Philem. 20; Gen. 45:1-14; 50:15-21
 - We have the **joy** of being an example to others. Philem. 21, 8-9; Acts. 9:10-25