

Jesus on Forgiveness

C. S. Lewis, “Everyone thinks forgiveness is a good idea until you have somebody to forgive.”

Somebody is going to hurt us and we are going to hurt someone else.

Matt. 18:21-27.

- I. Peter’s question, “What are the parameters to forgiveness?”
 - a. Is Peter looking for a pat on the back?
 - b. The boundaries on forgiveness are limitless.
 - c. Jesus tells a story -- \$10 million debt, he makes 17 cents a day.
 - d. Matt. 18:28-35.
 - i. Verse 30, “But he refused.”
 - ii. It is not that we cannot forgive; it is that we will not forgive.
- II. How do we go about this?
 - a. Decide to forgive.
 - i. If you wait till you feel like forgiving you will never get to it.
 - ii. If you wait till someone begs for it, it may never happen.
 - b. Speak the words out loud.
 - i. You may not be able to say it in person, but you must say it aloud.
 - ii. This is amazingly freeing.
 - c. When you forgive, you forgive.
 - i. Never bring it up again.
 - ii. God from Psalm 103:12.
 - d. Hear these scriptures:
 - i. Eph. 4:32.
 - ii. Col. 3:13.
 - iii. Matt. 6:12.
 - iv. Matt. 6:14-15.
 - v. Mark 11:25.
 - vi. Luke 6:37.

Right here, right now. Make the commitment, the decision to forgive.

COUNTRY CLUB ROAD
CHURCH of CHRIST

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Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Minister:

Doug Austin

Elders:

Tim Dunnahoo

Wayne Fenter - Lee Rogers

Kent Taylor - David West

Elder Chairman of the Month:

Lee Rogers

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Song Leader: Wayne Fenter

Call to Worship: 305 – He Lives (vs. 1 & 3)

Welcome: Tim Dunnahoo

Songs: 788 – O to Be Like Thee!

598 – A Common Love

639 – How Sweet, How Heavenly

Communion Song: 322 – By Christ Redeemed

Communion/Offering: Mac Rogers

Song: 593 – We Shall Assemble

Sermon: Doug Austin – “Jesus on Forgiveness”

Invitation Song: 888 – Have You Been to Jesus? (vs. 1 & 4)

Closing Song: 402 – Days of Elijah

Closing Prayer: Alan Warboys

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

12 Ordinary Men Disciple study – Lee Rogers (Rm. 27)

Young Parents – Doug Austin (Rm. 25)

Foundations – Jesse McCarty & Oscar Hernandez (Sm. Fellowship)

Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 22)

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 4th – 6th grade – various classrooms, look for blue flag

JL 1st – 3rd grade – various classrooms, look for red flag

4's, 5's & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

2's & 3's – Cydni Vandiver (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Life Groups meet each Sunday at various times

Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in Room 25

Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room

Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland



Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you're worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

- **Matt Rogers** is having a better week this week! They have taken him off the pain medication and his hemoglobin and platelet numbers are moving in the right direction!
- **Andrea Morrow** remains at Trustpoint Rehab facility in Lubbock. She continues to improve.
- **Bobbie Doyle** will have knee replacement surgery on January 22nd in Lubbock.
- **Elaine Britt** could use our continued prayers as she heals from recent heart surgery and a respiratory infection.

Continue in Prayer

Rosemary O’Neal, Anita Zuniga, Clara O’Neil, Wanda Walker, Sam & Pat Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Mary Ann Baeza, George & Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Sharen Anderson




Life@CCR

- This week’s Recharge was a tasty one! Thank you to **Amy Joy, Marcine McDaniel, and Sue Creighton** for lending their cooking expertise and preparing a delicious meal for us all to enjoy. Next week’s meal is yet to be determined so keep an eye out for the menu.
- Some of you answered the Elders’ call from Sunday and have volunteered to help with some of our children’s classes. Thank you so much for your willingness! **Our only remaining need now is for a bible story teacher in Journey Land the latter part of March. Please see Melissa Ramirez if you are interested.**
- **We’ve been able to make some recent updates to our church directory, but we still need pictures from some of you! If we don’t have your picture or the one we have is dated, please consider emailing an updated pic to cccoc@gmail.com!**
- **We desire as a church to take hold of the vision God has for us and to take a collective step of faith in the direction that God would have us to go. Please continue to pray for Vision 2030 and for the plans that will be put into motion very soon!**

Journey Land Rotation
Week of 1/21/2024

Scan the QR Code for more information about Journey Land!



Red Team		Blue Team	
Sunday	Wednesday	Sunday	Wednesday
1/21: History/ Geography	1/24: History/ Geography	1/21: Bible Story	1/24: Bible Story

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....	104/85
Sunday AM.....	201
Weekly Contribution.....	\$6,807

Week @ a Glance
Celebrations & Happenings

21st	Bible Class @ 9 a.m. A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube.
22nd	Niala Hill’s b-day.
24th	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m. Wednesday Night Recharge @ 5:30 p.m. Wednesday evening bible study @ 6:30 p.m. Olga Mary Vasquez’s b-day.
25th	Ashley Meadows & Mark Woody’s b-day.
26th	Mireya Lopez & Jimmy Franks b-day.

Life Group Study Guide

Text: Matthew 18:21-35

1. What would you do to celebrate if all your debts were suddenly cancelled?
2. What do you think is going through Peter’s mind before and after his question about forgiveness? Have you had the same thoughts?
3. Why is forgiveness so hard?
4. What have you found helpful in resolving conflicts?
5. What have you found helpful in forgiving those who have wronged you?
6. How has God’s forgiveness affected your life and your willingness to forgive?
7. Is there a connection between forgiveness, health, and wholeness? Why or why not?

Those Scheduled to Serve for December

Deacons on Duty: Dale English, Pablo Contreras, Jacob Puckett, Michael O’Neil
Men on Duty: S.C. Morrow, Tom Shaffer, Marco Ramirez