

## Putting on the Character of Forgiveness

NOTE: In this tract, we have restored the True Names of the Heavenly Father Yahweh, and His Son, Yahshua, the Messiah (*John 5:43*.) When you say HalleluYah, you see the Yah. What is in a Name? More than just labels, names in Scripture tell us about the individual. Nowhere is this more important than in the personal, revealed Name of our Creator. As it did with Israel, His name closely bonds True Worshipers to Him as their personal Heavenly Father, and is the key that unlocks deeper knowledge and understanding (*Proverbs 30:4*). Contrary to popular belief, the Father's Name is not "Jehovah" [hovah #1943: another form for #1942; ruin:-mischief], and neither is the Son's Name "Jesus". The letter "J" did not come into existence until the 17th century; look in any dictionary under "J". The Savior was a Hebrew, so why would they give Him a Greek Latinized name? Yahshua revealed His name: Acts 26:14-15. He spoke in the Hebrew tongue not Greek. (All Scripture is quoted from the King James version. All #'s recorded are from Strong's Concordance and notes where stated from Lexical Aids.)

We encourage each reader to prove Scripturally for himself what he reads here:

1 Thessalonians 5:21 *Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.*

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Forgiveness Means:

"Overlooking a wrong that was done to me."

Colossians 3:13, *"Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as the Master forgave you, so also do ye.*

*Forgiveness is not an obligation but an act of kindness."*

Philemon 2, *"But withal prepare me also a lodging: for I trust that through your prayers I shall be given unto you."*

When we treat others kindly and we ask their forgiveness they are willing to make restitution.

Forgiveness: An act of Pardon.

Blots out: Isaiah 41:25, *"I have raised up one from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as upon mortar, and as the potter treadeth clay."*

When we call upon Yahweh's name our sins will be blotted out and forgiven.

Remission: Matthew 26:28, *"For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."*

Yahshua's blood is shed for the forgiveness, (remission) of sin.

Pardon: Isaiah 55:7, *“Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto Yahweh, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our Elohim, for he will abundantly pardon.”*

When we return to Yahweh and Yahshua, they will abundantly pardon us and forgive our iniquities.

Remember no more: Jeremiah 31:34, *“And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know Yahweh: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Yahweh: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”*

When we forgive we are not to remember it (the sin) no more.

Yahweh’s Nature: Psalms 86:5, *“For thou, Yahweh, art good, and ready to forgive; and plentiful in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.”*

When we call upon Yahweh, He is kind and ready to forgive with plenty of mercy. We are to do the same for others and have the same nature of our Father as we were made in the image and likeness of Him.

Yahweh’s Grace: Luke 7:42, *“And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?”*

When we freely forgive others, we love the most.

Shedding of blood: Hebrews 9:22, *“And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.”*

When we choose to forgive others we purge with Yahshua’s blood the wiping away of the offense or sin against us.

Messiah’s Death: Colossians 1:14, *“In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:”*

When we forgive we use the redemption of Yahshua’s blood to forgive sins. We die to the offense done to us as Yahshua died for our sins.

The Son’s power: Luke 5:21-24, *“And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but Elohim alone? But when Yahshua perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts? Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, he said unto the sick of the palsy, I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.*

Yahshua healed by forgiving their sins and made them whole physically and spiritually.

Man’s Repentance: Acts 2:38, *“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Yahshua the Messiah for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the*

*gift of the Holy Spirit.”*

In order to receive baptism we must repent, confess in the name of Yahshua in order for Messiah to forgive our sins.

Our Forgiveness: Matthew 6:12-14, *“And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the majesty, for ever. Amen. For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:”*

We are to forgive our debts: which is condemnation when we don't forgive ourselves. We are to forgive our debtors: those that offend or sin/transgress against us. When we forgive others Yahweh is able to forgive us.

Faith in Messiah: Acts 10:43, *“To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.”*

Having faith in the Messiah gives us His forgiveness for sins against Him.

Shows Yahweh's Righteousness: Romans 3:25-26, *“Whom Elohim hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of Elohim; To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Yahshua.”*

Yahweh justifies those who believe in Yahshua.

Yahweh has set a propitiation. Yahshua is the sacrifice that those that believe in Him receive the remission of sins (forgiveness) which declares Yahweh's righteousness. Yahweh through that forgiveness tolerates and suffers His Son's death in order to have the heart of righteousness to forgive us.

Makes Salvation real; Luke 1:77, *“To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins,”*

Forgiveness is also seen as saving us from our sins.

Must be preached: Luke 24:47, *“And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”*

Repentance and remission of sins must be preached in the Name OF Yahweh and Yahshua.

Measure of Forgiveness...

Seventy times Seven: Matthew 18:21-22, *“Then came Peter to him, and said, Master, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Yahshua saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.”*

We are to forgive seventy times seven which equals 490 times in a day we should be always willing to forgive someone. Just as we expect Yahweh to be always willing to forgive our sins,

so must we be that willing and ready to forgive trespasses done against us.

Unlimited: Luke 17:3-4, *“Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him. And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.”*

When someone trespasses against us, we are to rebuke him, and when he repents (and if) he repents we are to forgive him. If he should sin against us even times in a day and comes to us and repents we are to forgive.

As Yahweh forgave us: Ephesians 4:32, *“And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as Elohim for the Messiah's sake hath forgiven you.”*

Just as Yahweh for Messiah's sake has forgiven us, we too must be kind and tenderhearted and forgiving to others.

Means of Forgiveness: Mark 11:25-26, *“And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.”*

The benefit of forgiving others is the means of us receiving the Father's forgiveness.

Restored believers fellowship: 2 Corinthians 2:7-10, *“So that contrariwise ye ought rather to forgive him, and comfort him, lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow. Wherefore I beseech you that ye would confirm your love toward him. For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things. To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of the Messiah;”*

We are restored in the fellowship with believers by receiving their exhortation in upbraiding us after we have asked forgiveness. We also receive their love by their continual fellowship.

When we forgive, we are restored in right standing in the sight of Messiah, as He has forgiven us for our transgressions.

Spiritual Cleansing: James 5:15-16, *“And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and Yahweh shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”*

When you are spiritually cleansed your are physically forgiven. Spiritual cleansing must come before physical healing. Only by confessing our faults one to another can we become spiritually and physically cleansed. As a righteous man we are called to pray for those that are sick spiritually and physically, as our prayers avail much.

Examples of Forgiveness in the Scriptures: Solomon: 1 Kings 1:52-53, *“And Solomon said, If he will show himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die. So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down*

*from the altar. And he came and bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto him, Go to thine house.”*

He forgave his brother for trying to steal the throne from him.

Yahshua: Luke 23:34, *“Then said Yahshua, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.”*

Even though Yahshua’s accusers did not ask forgiveness, Yahshua forgave them (and pleaded His Father to forgive them) as they knew not what they were doing and Yahshua had mercy and grace and gave them the benefit of the doubt so the he would not be held in bondage by Satan.

Stephen: Acts 7:59-60, *“And they stoned Stephen, calling upon Elohim, and saying, Sovereign Yahshua, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Master, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.”*

Stephen’s pleas was the same as Yahshua’s (2nd witness to do the same). He yielded his spirit to Yahshua as Yahshua yielded His spirit to Yahweh. (He proved that he had to go through Yahshua to get to the Father), knowing at that time the Spirit of Yahweh would take over as in the flesh it would have been hard to forgive and than ask Yahweh to not hole them (the sin against Stephan) for his life being taken.

PAUL: 2 Timothy 4:16, *“At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: may it not be laid to their charge.”*

The third witness not to hold any sin against someone, therefore we must forgive.

Yahweh and Yahshua have not laid any charge against us for the man sins that we have committed, therefore we should not holy any charge against our fellow man..

Written by inspiration of Yahweh (Psalms 115:1) for His Saints.

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