The POWER of Forgiveness!!!

Matthew 6:9-15 KJV After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. [10] Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, as it is in Heaven. [11] Give us this day our daily bread. [12] And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. [13] And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, for ever. Amen. [14] For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father will also forgive you: [15] But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

The Kingdom of God is the Kingdom of forgiveness. Whenever a person doesn't forgive, they are going against God's Word and His Will. This Newsletter is to let us know what God has called us to do as born-again Christians: receive our forgiveness; and, in turn, forgive all that sin against us.

Luke 7:36-50 The Message Bible [36-39] One of the Pharisees asked Him over for a meal. He went to the Pharisee's house and sat down at the dinner table. Just then a woman of the village, the town harlot, having learned that Jesus was a guest in the home of the Pharisee, came with a bottle of very expensive perfume and stood at His feet, weeping, raining tears on His feet. Letting down her hair, she dried His feet, kissed them, and anointed them with the perfume. When the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said to himself, "If this Man was the Prophet I thought He was, He would have known what kind of woman this is who is falling all over Him." [40] Jesus said to him, "Simon, I have something to tell you." "Oh? Tell me." [41-42] "Two men were in debt to a banker. One owed five hundred silver pieces, the other fifty. Neither of them could pay up, and so the banker canceled both debts. Which of the two would be more grateful?" [43-47] Simon answered, "I suppose the one who was forgiven the most." "That's right," said Jesus. Then turning to the woman, but speaking to Simon, He said, "Do you see this woman? I came to your home; you provided no water for My feet, but she rained tears on My feet and dried them with her hair. You gave Me no greeting, but from the time I arrived she hasn't quit kissing My feet. You provided nothing for freshening up, but she has soothed My feet with perfume. Impressive, isn't it? She was forgiven many, many sins, and so she is very, very grateful. If the forgiveness is minimal, the gratitude is minimal." [48] Then He spoke to her: "I forgive your sins." [49] That set the dinner guests talking behind His back: "Who does He think He is, forgiving sins!" [50] He ignored them and said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

In this Scripture text we see God's heart. Jesus didn't say to this woman, "You are anointing Me with oil that was purchased by the sin of prostitution? You have had sex with husbands that are not yours; you are a home breaker; you are a terrible person! You have hurt so many people. I'm so Holy, and I don't want you to touch Me. You are a terrible person!" Jesus never said ANY of those things. He said, "I forgive you of your sins".

My message to you today is this, don't get trapped in satan's un-forgiveness. God wants everyone to know that He sent His Son, Jesus, to forgive and forget all sins that we have committed. Then He wants us to forgive just like He has forgiven us.

Love you, Pastor Paul

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*This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Daniel chapter 4
Tuesday Daniel chapter 5
Wednesday Daniel chapter 6
Thursday Daniel chapter 7
Friday Daniel chapter 8
Saturday Daniel chapter 9
Sunday Daniel chapter 10

*Upcoming Events

- 1. Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon, Wed, & Thur 10-11am; Fri 9:30-10:30
- 2. **Mobile Prayer:** Fridays 1:30-3pm in Sam's Warehouse Parking Lot
- 3. Horse Ministry: Saturday 10am-1pm at Camp Faith
- 4. Baptisms: Sunday at end of Services
- **TO RECEVE Special Announcements, opt in to **The Christian Center text list** by texting the letters

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- **Use this link for **The Christian Center app** http://bgw1.itexttoday.com/apps/2323/8833/ indexm.html
- ** Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays * Prayer: <u>9am</u> Lee side entrance * Fellowship in Café <u>9:15-9:45 am</u>. * Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: ------Michael Whitley Financial Class: -----Terry Boyd Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: ------Lester/Monica Witherspoon Marriage Class:------Danny/Demetrius Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College & Career-Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily * Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday6:15-7:15am

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Friday in Chapel on Lee Blvd side of

Church

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Thur 10-11am; Fri 9:30-10:30 in the

Gym

Weekly * Adult, Youth & Children Services: Sunday 9:45 & 10:45 am; Wednesday night

<u>7pm</u>

Monthly * Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral

* Crosses at the Corner: 12-1pm 1st Saturday at corner of Sheridan

and Cache Rd.

* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month

* Horse Ministry: 10am-1pm 3rd Saturday of each month