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We ought always to pray and not faint, turn coward, or give up.



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Joseph's brothers had sold him. They even went home and pretended he was dead. What betrayal! And now here they were lying again, and trying to convince Joseph that their father Jacob wanted him to forgive them.

Genesis 50:17 (AMP)

So shall you say to Joseph: Forgive (take up and away all resentment and all claim to requital concerning), I pray you now, the trespass of your brothers and their sin, for they did evil to you. Now, we pray you, forgive the trespass of the servants of your father's God. And Joseph wept when they spoke thus to him.

No one benefits from unforgiveness. The joy of getting even only works in movies. In real life returning evil for evil escalates conflicts and draws us deeper into the kingdom of darkness. Joseph wept because he didn't need a lie to make him do the right thing. He knew he had to forgive.

To forgive means to remit or to pay in full. It means you dismiss a debt to you and bring an offender's account to zero. Revenge only increases indebtedness. It robs you of more than what was done to you. Unforgiveness sends you into pathways that were never designed by God. It affects your attitude even if the incident happened decades ago. The only way to free yourself is by forgiveness.

Forgiveness is a universal need because there are so many spaces where things are done that cause pain. From the unintentional betrayals of imperfect parents to horrific forms of abuse. So many areas of potential hurt in family life. And then there are relationships in school, work, neighborhood and more.

Walking in forgiveness fulfills His desire and purpose for us. Offering forgiveness is an act of obedience to God. We have sinned against Him and He forgives us so we can turn around and forgive others. It takes faith, grace and a dependence on God to forgive. We need God to help us with certain depths of hurt. When we lean fully on Him then forgiveness becomes a journey of learning, growing and healing.

Joseph's brothers were right: *Forgive (take up and away all resentment and all claim to requital concerning), I pray you now, the trespass of your brothers and their sin, for they did evil to you.* God has given you the capacity to forgive with or without an apology. To get rid of all the pain and resentment that comes with being hurt by someone else. Believe it.

Luke 11:4a (NKJV)

And forgive us our sins, For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

Time does not heal our wounds. It only insulates us from them but eventually those wounds grow and destroy us. It is only when we do for others what the blood of Jesus has done for us that we find wholeness, healing and empowerment. Forgiveness opens the doorway to our future and lavishes great blessings upon us. Forgiveness changes lives and alters the course of a future!

So make it a point to forgive others. Conduct yourself like your loving and merciful God. And guess what? Great rewards await you!

MAY 1
FORGIVENESS
Psalm 86:5 [NKJV]

*For You, Lord, are good, and ready
to forgive, And abundant in mercy
to all those who call upon You.*

Meditation: What a comforting scripture!! The NLT version says He is “...so full of unfailing love for all who ask for your help.” Our God is ready to forgive. He is totally ready with a boatload of mercy just waiting for you to call on Him. What a wonderful savior. All He wants is for you to call Him; to ask for His help. Have you messed up? Do you need His Help? Just call.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Call on Him.
2. Confess your sins, mistakes, missteps, uncertainties and all.
3. Ask for His help. Tell the Lord what you need.
4. Declare: The Lord is good!
5. Testify of how the Lord helped and forgave you.
6. Praise God that He give you another chance!

MAY 2
FORGIVENESS
Colossians 3:13 [TPT]

Tolerate the weaknesses of those in the family of faith, forgiving one another in the same way you have been graciously forgiven by Jesus Christ. If you find fault with someone, release this same gift of forgiveness to them.

Meditation: The family of faith isn't perfect and neither are you. God forgave you when you messed up and brought you into righteousness. Now He wants you to extend the same grace to your family in the faith when you see the good, bad and ugly. Don't just cancel people when they fall. Tolerate. By doing so, a safety net will be built to help believers lean on each other with trust. Forgiveness is a gift. Pass it on.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Exalt the name of Jesus Christ.
2. Pray for grace to forgive.
3. Pray to see through the eyes of God
4. Pray for the body of Christ to walk in tolerance and forgiveness.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal who needs the gift of your forgiveness.

MAY 3
FORGIVENESS
Psalms 51:2 [AMPC]

*Wash me thoroughly [and repeatedly]
from my iniquity and guilt and cleanse me
and make me wholly pure from my sin!*

Meditation: No matter your sin, if you come into true repentance, the blood of Jesus will not only forgive you but it can cleanse you too. In this verse David cries for cleansing after committing adultery and murder. God heard him. You have not committed a sin too great for the blood of Jesus to cleanse. Come to Jesus. Confess your sins and ask Him to make you whole.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Ask for forgiveness from sin and iniquity.
2. Abolish any roots of desire for sin, impurity and contamination.
3. Ask for revelation into the power of your purity.
4. Commit to purity before the Father as He washes you.
5. Release guilt, shame, doubt and fear.

MAY 4
FORGIVENESS
Psalm 32:1 [AMPC]

*"BLESSED (HAPPY, fortunate, to be envied)
is he who has forgiveness of his transgression
continually exercised upon him,
whose sin is covered.*

Meditation: As you read this verse, come into the fullness of your freedom from sin. Put a stop to the cycle of guilt the enemy has tied around your neck like a noose. Take it off! Believe in the word of God! Your sins are forgiven and you are 100% cleansed and covered by the precious blood of our savior Jesus Christ. Hallelujah!!!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Praise God. Rejoice in what the blood of Jesus has done for you.
2. Declare: I am happy, fortunate and to be envied.
3. Call for joy to manifest in your life.
4. Declare: I am free from all my sin.
5. Call for the blessings of forgiveness to manifest in your life.

MAY 5
FORGIVENESS
Psalm 67:5-6 [AMPC]

⁵Let the peoples praise You [turn away from their idols] and give thanks to You, O God; let all the peoples praise and give thanks to You!

⁶The earth has yielded its harvest [in evidence of God's approval]; God, even our own God, will bless us.

Meditation: The world appears to be in chaos and wickedness is on the rise. There are floods, earthquakes and nations at war. This is the time for the body of Christ to turn away from sin and raise a cry for the forgiveness. God will hear and forgive 2 Chron 7:14. Let the corridors of the earth be filled with prayers and praise!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Let the nations praise God! Call out the nations.
2. Now it's your turn. Praise Him!!
3. Humble yourself and pray. (2 Chron 7:14)
4. Turn away from idols and wickedness.
5. Declare: God will richly bless the land.
6. Command the earth to yield its harvest.
7. Pray for a repentant heart for those in leadership.

MAY 6
FORGIVENESS
Psalm 103:12 [NKJV]

*As far as the east is from the west, so far has
He removed our transgressions from us.*

Meditation: Pick a continent and think of how far the east coast is from the west. God has removed your transgressions that far from you and more! So why are you holding on to it? Whenever you start to feel guilt or shame over past sins, remember that God has removed them. He remembers them no more, so you can forget them too. Embrace your freedom and keep moving forward.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Praise God for His forgiveness, grace and compassion.
2. Ask for revelation into any roots of sin resident in your life.
3. Denounce shame and guilt.
4. Embrace the freedom of forgiveness. Pick your head up!
5. Commit to live holy before Him.

MAY 7
FORGIVENESS
Matthew 18:21-22 [AMP]

²¹Then Peter came to Him and asked, "Lord, how many times will my brother sin against me and I forgive him and let it go? Up to seven times?"

²²Jesus answered him, "I say to you, not up to seven times, but seventy times seven."

Meditation: WOW! Seventy times seven? Clearly Jesus expects you to forgive totally when someone offends you. The Lord requires you to let it go! Think about all the pain and sorrow you are holding on to after being wronged. Why are you doing that? Imagine how high you would fly if you got rid of those weights.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Take a moment to reflect on God's love and forgiveness.
2. Uncover any unforgiveness and bitterness that has a place in your mind, heart or soul.
3. Pray in the Holy Spirit.
4. Renounce and release any bitterness in you.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you who you need to forgive.
6. Trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by offense and unforgiveness.

MAY 8
FORGIVENESS
Matthew 5:44 [NIV]

But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,

Meditation: As difficult as it is, God does not only remind you to pray for your enemies, but to bless and not curse them. Who wants to pray for their enemies to be blessed? Usually no one! God wants you to love with wholeness. He is not asking you to become a doormat for people to walk all over you. He isn't telling you not to confront them about their wrong doings. But he is requiring you to love even when it hurts.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Pray in the Holy Spirit.
2. Ask for the grace to love your enemies.
3. Pray for people who have hurt you.
4. Call for the love of God to work through you.
5. Command your soul to obey God not your pain.

MAY 9**FORGIVENESS****Isaiah 43:25 [AMP]***I, only I, am He**who wipes out your transgressions for My own sake, And I will not remember your sins.*

Meditation: The Lord is the only one who forgives and completely redeems you from iniquity. He does not hold anything against you because He does not discriminate in His divine love for you. Despite your fallen nature and committed sins, He gives you the ultimate peace in your life. He continues to bless you in all your endeavors. He does not remember your sins.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Declare that the Lord forgives you.
2. Thank and praise Him for his loving kindness.
3. Confess your sins to the Lord.
4. Ask God for forgiveness.
5. Thank God for wiping away your sins.
6. Ask the Lord to continually guide you to live a chaste life.

MAY 10**FORGIVENESS****Daniel 9:9 [AMPC]**

*To the Lord our God
belong mercy and loving kindness
and forgiveness,
for we have rebelled against Him;*

Meditation: He continuously gives you favor, mercy, love, kindness and forgiveness. He forgives your sinful acts. He gives you the sun and opens the heavens to provide for you every single day. It doesn't matter what you've done. Despite rebellion and conforming to worldly behaviors, He extends grace. He is a God of forgiveness.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Praise the Lord for His loving kindness.
2. Repent of actions aren't in His will for you.
3. Call for His mercy to locate you.
4. Reject the burden of guilt and shame.
5. Proclaim His love for all mankind.

MAY 11
FORGIVENESS
Ephesians 4:32 [NIV]

*Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other,
just as in Christ God forgave you.*

Meditation: We are given three commands to follow. Be kind, compassionate and forgive. Have you checked your kindness gauge lately? What does it say? Are you displaying compassion? Forgiving? Obeying these commands is crucial for you as a benefactor of God's forgiveness. This is how the world will know we are His disciples.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Ask the Lord to increase your level of kindness and compassion.
2. Repent of all unforgiveness holding you back.
3. Declare that kindness and compassion will always clothe you.
4. Pray for the forgiveness of your sins and those of others.
5. Thank the Lord for His forgiving nature.
6. Ask His forgiveness to blanket you.

MAY 12**FORGIVENESS****Mark 11:25 [NIV]**

And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.

Meditation: Posture is everything. This scripture declares the posture that we need when we pray, and that is a “standing” posture. But there’s more. Our heart posture is also valuable to God. Remove anything from your heart that is closing you out from receiving God’s blessings. And when you do, God may forgive you of your sins. Do you want forgiveness today? Forgive others. It starts there.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Commit yourself to do the Lord’s will.
2. Enter into the most Holy Place. Worship Him.
3. Command unforgiveness to leave your heart, mind, and body.
4. Choose to forgive others.
5. Declare: I will stand firm in obedience.
6. Ask God to forgive you of any wrong.
7. Pray for your family, colleagues, friends, and the body of Christ.

MAY 13
FORGIVENESS
1 John 1:9 [NLT]

But if we confess our sins to Him, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

Meditation: Confess your sins. Speak out. Use your words. Sounds like voice activation! Because when you do this, your faithful and just Lord steps in. Do you desire justice today? Confess. Have there been any signs of wickedness on your lips? In your thoughts? Through your actions? Confess your sins to Him now. He is waiting on your confession so that He can rule in your favor!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Ask the Lord of justice to move swiftly.
2. Open your eyes to God's faithfulness.
3. Turn away from sin.
4. Ask for the strength of confession.
5. Commit to forgiving others. Release yourself.
6. Ask for increased wisdom, knowledge, and understanding.
7. Declare God's faithfulness and justice over yourself and family.

MAY 14
FORGIVENESS
Matthew 6:15 [NKJV]

But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Meditation: Forgiveness comes with a prerequisite. You act first, and then The Father steps in. You forgive first in order to be forgiven. You take the first step and humble yourself. Even when you feel wronged, hurt, or a victim, God is calling you to forgiveness first. Set your pride aside today and practice humility. Those who humble themselves before God will be exalted.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Pray that unforgiveness never separates you from God's love.
2. Ask for an increased measure of strength and wisdom.
3. Tell Abba the many reasons why you will practice forgiveness.
4. Praise His name as a recipient of His love and kindness.
5. Command forgiveness to deploy itself into your environment.

MAY 15
FORGIVENESS
Luke 6:37 [ESV]

Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven.

Meditation: It is easy to have a sense of entitlement to judge, condemn or look down on others. But remember: what you put out is what will come back to you. So instead of being judgmental, remember that all have sinned and fallen short of His glory (Rom 3:23). That includes you! So focus on being light in darkness. Take that grace He used on you and extend it to others. And while you are at it, forgive!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Proclaim: I will forgive. Abba forgave me.
2. Call on the light of Christ to manifest in you.
3. Declare victory over judgment, condemnation & unforgiveness.
4. Pray for the strength to see with God's eyes.
5. Stand firm in Jesus Christ despite your circumstances.

MAY 16
FORGIVENESS
Luke 23:40-43 [NLT]

⁴⁰But the other criminal protested, “Don’t you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die?

⁴¹We deserve to die for our crimes, but this man hasn’t done anything wrong.” ⁴²Then he said,

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.” ⁴³And Jesus replied, “I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Meditation: You are not beyond forgiveness. The person who hurt you is not beyond forgiveness. The regrets from your past that still haunt you are not being held against you. The Lord is not condemning you like you condemn yourself or like the world condemns you. He forgave the thief on the cross. He forgives you too.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Receive His forgiveness and forgive yourself!
2. Loose yourself from condemnation.
3. Declare you are free from your past regrets.
4. Thank God for giving you access to Paradise.
5. Ask God to help you forgive those you have not forgiven yet.
6. Proclaim: Forgiveness is my portion.

MAY 17
FORGIVENESS
Micah 17:18-19 [GNT]

¹⁸There is no other god like you, O Lord; you forgive the sins of your people who have survived. You do not stay angry forever, but you take pleasure in showing us your constant love. ¹⁹You will be merciful to us once again. You will trample our sins underfoot and send them to the bottom of the sea!

Meditation: There's no God like Jehovah! It is in His very nature to love you like He does. The greatest part about that is He chooses to love you overwhelmingly. Even with your sinful nature, willful participation in iniquity and falling short of His glory, He still chooses to forgive you. God is too in love with you to stay angry at you! Do not let the enemy distract you. Our God forgives!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Declare: there is no God like my God!
2. Thank God for His constant love.
3. Repeat: God is not angry with me.
4. Proclaim: I am forgiven because He loves me.
5. Ask the pleasure of God to surround you with His love.
6. Pray for His mercy once again.

MAY 18
FORGIVENESS
Micah 7:18-19 [AMP]

*¹⁸Who is a God like You, who forgives wickedness
And passes over the rebellious acts of the remnant of
His possession? He does not retain His anger forever,
Because He [constantly] delights in mercy and
lovingkindness. ¹⁹He shall again have compassion on
us; He will subdue and tread underfoot our wickedness
[destroying sin's power]. Yes, You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.*

Meditation: Jehovah will rise up and show you compassion even in His judgment. Your actions are deserving of death but He decides to cast them out and trample on them. You've done the crime, but Jesus does the time! His compassion has found you innocent and He forgives you!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Thank God for His compassion towards you.
2. Declare that sin has no power over you.
3. Thank Yeshua for taking your place!
4. Proclaim the Lord is just in all His ways.
5. Command struggles to come under His foot.
6. Declare: there is no god like my God!
7. Ask God to help you overcome the sins you continue to battle.

MAY 19
FORGIVENESS
Act 3:19-20 [GNT]

*¹⁹Repent, then, and turn to God, so that he will forgive your sins. If you do,
²⁰times of spiritual strength will come from the Lord, and he will send Jesus, who is the Messiah he has already chosen for you..*

Meditation: Any transgression against God is sin. It is ignorance driven at times. God understands this and He understands you! He still offers you a chance to repent and turn back to Him for forgiveness. Repentance is not just asking for forgiveness. It also involves receiving spiritual strength to turn from those sinful ways. It is trusting not only in His ability to forgive but also to transform you.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Repent! Turn to God.
2. Ask God to replace your ignorance with knowledge.
3. Commit to turn your ways to God.
4. Pray for times of spiritual strength to come.
5. Declare: Jesus is my portion!
6. Receive all that God has chosen for you.

MAY 20
FORGIVENESS
Luke 22: 61-62 [ESV]

61 And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times"

62 And he went out and wept bitterly.

Meditation: In a moment of fear and uncertainty Peter sinned against God and afterwards he felt terrible. Has fear ever left you making wrong choices? Don't be dismayed! Jesus forgave Peter and gave him purpose. It is the same for you. God is not looking to hold your sins against you. He wants to forgive you and give you purpose.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Ask God to forgive you for taking the easy way out by sinning.
2. Ask the Lord to look on your life.
3. Thank God for giving you purpose.
4. Pray for healing from bitterness and pain.
5. Commit to obeying God even in your difficult moments.
6. Praise God for His forgiving nature.

MAY 21
FORGIVENESS
Proverbs 17:9 [NLT]

*Love prospers when a fault is forgiven,
but dwelling on it separates close friends.*

Meditation: When you forgive others, you choose the way of love and that is God's character. Dwelling on grudges in your heart separates you from loved ones. Bitterness takes root, then hurt and grief step in. Before long, best friends become enemies. Here is a novel idea: LET IT GO! Choose the path of love and forgive. It makes you more like God.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you with His love.
2. Pray for a heart to extend mercy to others.
3. Pray that your tongue will be an instrument for peace.
4. Call for love to prosper in your life.
5. Declare that you are empowered to bring unity where there is division.
6. Say: I want to be more like you, Lord!
7. Ask for wisdom to handle difficulty.

MAY 22
FORGIVENESS
Psalm 130:3-4 [NKJV]

³If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? ⁴But there is forgiveness with you. That You may be feared.

Meditation: Imagine if God kept a record of all your iniquities, impure thoughts, motives and mistakes. Imagine if He decided to judge you accordingly. Would you be innocent? No one could stand His perfect justice. When you grasp the impact of your sin and realize the wonder of God's forgiveness, you will be drawn to revere Him. He is awesome!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Worship the Lord.
2. Thank Him for overlooking your iniquities.
3. Command your soul to stand up.
4. Arise into your destiny!
5. Call on the fear of the Lord to rise up in you.
6. Offer yourself a living sacrifice to the Lord.
7. Pray that your life will cause others to fear God.

MAY 23
FORGIVENESS
Matthew 18:33-35 [NLT]

³³Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you? ³⁴Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt. ³⁵That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart.

Meditation: Shouldn't you have mercy? Shouldn't you? Refusing to genuinely forgive others makes it impossible for you to understand and experience forgiveness from God. And yes. He expects real, genuine forgiveness from your heart. Not the fake stuff. It seems so hard but it is not. He will help you. Don't refuse His help!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Examine your heart.
2. Repent of harsh judgment of others.
3. Pray for grace to forgive.
4. Pray for increased awareness of His mercy.
5. Ask His mercy to work through you.
6. Ask God to transform your heart.
7. Declare: I will walk in mercy!

MAY 24
FORGIVENESS
Joel 2:13 [NLT]

13Don't tear your clothing in your grief, but tear your hearts instead." Return to the LORD your God, for he is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. He is eager to relent and not punish.

Meditation: God is not about playing religious games or practicing empty religious rituals. Your repentance must come from a heart genuinely committed to return to Him. God is eager to relent. He longs to forgive and cleanse when you fall short of His expectations. So don't hold back. Tear your heart open. RETURN TO THE LORD!!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Open your heart and worship Him for real.
2. Fix your eye on Him.
3. Draw close to the Father.
4. Ask God to search your heart.
5. Commit to genuine repentance.
6. Call on the unfailing love of the Father to fix things in your life.
7. Declare that your life will please God.
8. Pray for others to return to the Lord.

MAY 25
FORGIVENESS
Isaiah 55:7 [NLT]

Let the wicked change their ways and banish the very thought of doing wrong. Let them turn to the Lord that He may have mercy on them. Yes, turn to our God, for He will forgive generously.

Meditation: God's desire is for you to be in right standing with Him. He wants a relationship with you but first He wants you to change every evil way in you. Even the thought of doing wrong has got to go. His way is better. So take every thought captive. Make your mind obey God. He will forgive you generously when you turn to Him completely.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Thank God for mercy.
2. Repent of every wicked way in you.
3. Command your thoughts to obey the Lord.
4. Ask God to reorient your thinking into His.
5. Proclaim that God's way is better!
6. Ask His mercy to manifest in your life.

MAY 26
FORGIVENESS
Psalm 51:12 [NLT]

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and make me willing to obey you.*

Meditation: Sin will rob you of joy and the close fellowship with your Lord and Savior. David felt that emptiness after he killed Uriah. So he pleads with God to restore joy to him. He is asking that he would again have the fellowship that he once knew and enjoyed. Do you feel distanced from God? Ask Him to restore. He will forgive and bring joy.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Confess your sins and repent.
2. Lay every contrary behavior on the altar.
3. Call for joy!
4. Ask God to help you make the necessary changes in your life.
5. Draw closer to Him.
6. Ask Him to restore you.
7. Declare that you are willing to obey Him.

MAY 27
FORGIVENESS
Ps 79:8 [AMPC]

O do not [earnestly] remember against us the iniquities and guilt of our forefathers! Let Your compassion and tender mercy speedily come to meet us, for we are brought very low.

Meditation: How many times have you thought of your sins from the past and allowed them to pull you down? Or have you been influenced by the sins of your parents? No matter how low we go, our merciful, loving Father is there to help us. So the psalmist cried for His mercies to come speedily. Relieve yourself of the weights of sin. He will come and save!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Thank the Lord for mercy and compassion.
2. Ask Abba to separate you from the sins of your lineage.
3. Declare: they are former iniquities!
4. Call His tender mercies to come speedily!
5. Pray for a washing and cleansing from past iniquities.
6. Pray that you will always be sensitive to sin.

MAY 28
FORGIVENESS
Eph 2:5 [AMPC]

⁵Even when we were dead (slain) by [our own] shortcomings and trespasses, He made us alive together in fellowship and in union with Christ; [He gave us the very life of Christ Himself, the same new life with which He quickened Him, for] it is by grace (His favor and mercy which you did not deserve) that you are saved (delivered from judgment and made partakers of Christ's salvation).

Meditation: God's mercy and love were on full display when we were dead in sin, fulfilling the desires of our flesh and this world. By his grace (favor and mercy) which we did not deserve, we were forgiven, cleansed and brought back to life with the very life and breath that flows through Christ himself. Hallelujah!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Thank God for his love and goodness.
2. Ask God to make you alive.
3. Ask the life of Jesus to quicken you.
4. Declare: the life of Jesus manifests in you.
5. Call on resurrection power to awaken dead areas of your life.
6. Declare: I am delivered from judgment.

MAY 29
FORGIVENESS
Ps. 32:5 [AMPC]

I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide. I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord [continually unfolding the past till all is told]—then You [instantly] forgave me the guilt and iniquity of my sin. Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]!

Meditation: Your Father wants you to approach His throne of mercy and grace. It is best to do this constantly, always making sure you are right with Him. The psalmist was always aware that his sin was against God alone and continually brought it before God. And God forgave. Instantly! Your God is merciful - selah!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Thank the Lord for today's portion of mercy.
2. Confess your transgressions to the Lord. Let it all out!
3. Bring your iniquities, willful sins and weaknesses to the Lord.
4. Pray that your heart will be steadfast and sincere to your covenant with Abba.
5. Ask God to remove the pleasure you get from sin.

MAY 30
FORGIVENESS
Exodus 4:26 [NLT]

(When she said “a bridegroom of blood,” she was referring to the circumcision.)

After that, the Lord left him alone.

Meditation: Moses was supposed to circumcise his sons but he didn't so the Lord was angry with him. So angry that the Lord was about to kill him. But then Zipporah came in and did what was necessary and just like that the Lord relented. Wow. Obedience. There are some levels of forgiveness that are tied to obedience. Is there anything you are supposed to do? Do it. It just might be the key to forgiveness.

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Pray with humility and a searching heart.
2. Ask the Lord if He is angry at you for anything.
3. Repent of any sins of omission.
4. Pause and reflect. Develop a plan of action to obey the Lord's instructions.
5. Pray for your friend, family, community, state, nation, church etc who might be out of the will of the Lord. Pray for mercy.
6. Ask the Lord if there is anything you can do to save someone else from the wrath of the Lord.

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FORGIVENESS
Luke 17:3-4 [NLT]

So watch yourselves! “If another believer sins, rebuke that person; then if there is repentance, forgive. Even if that person wrongs you seven times a day and each time turns again and asks forgiveness, you must forgive.

Meditation: *If there is repentance* God has set an example by forgiving you every time you come in true repentance. Now, He is requiring you to do the same for others. It takes the power of love and the help of the Holy Spirit to rebuke and to forgive. So watch yourself! Determine in your heart today to extend mercy. You must forgive!

Prayer Directives & Strategies

1. Pray to be filled with unconditional love.
2. Pray for a heart that can forgive the unforgivable.
3. Ask God to fill you with the spirit of forgiveness.
4. Command your eyes to open.
5. See yourself for real.
6. Ask for guidance to rebuke in love.