

Forgiving & Being Forgiven – AK 14

COMMENTER'S GUIDE

WRITE IT OUT!

(ON SCANNABLE SINGLE PAGE ANSWER SHEETS ONLY)

These 2 additional questions, not found in the exam booklet are designed to make the student dig into the Biblical text and show they understand the Biblical principles studied throughout the course.

Questions 1 – What is the first step in repairing a broken relationship when we are at fault? Why is it so hard for us to do?

1 - POSSIBLE ANSWERS

1 - HELPFUL COMMENTS

1 - VERSES

Questions 2 – Briefly explain two of a believer's responsibilities towards a person, who refuses to acknowledge, or repent of, an offense.

2 - POSSIBLE ANSWERS

2 - HELPFUL COMMENTS

2 - VERSES

WHAT DO YOU SAY?

These questions are designed to help the student express their thoughts, feelings, and opinions about something they have learned from the chapter

EXAM 1 – What have you learned about the relationship between forgiveness and physical health?

1 - COMMENTS

- God created us to be social beings therefore relationships are vital to our well-being including our health. Not forgiving another person is sin and breaks our fellowship with them and our heavenly Father (Matthew 18:34-35) Any sin can make us physically sick as David described in Psalm 32. He said his bones grew old through his groaning all day long, and his vitality was turned into the drought of summer (Psalm 32:3-4)

1 - VERSES

- [Matt. 18:34-35](#) His master was angry and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due him. So my heavenly Father also will do to each of you if each of you from the heart do not forgive your brother his trespasses
- [Psalm 32:3-4](#) My bones grew old, and my vitality was turned into the drought of summer.
- [Prov. 28:13](#) He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.
- [James 5:14-16](#) Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.
- [Ps. 66:18](#) If I regard iniquity in my heart, The Lord will not hear.

EXAM 2 – Have you ever been offended by a fellow Christian? Did you follow these steps to reconciliation? What was the result?

2 - COMMENTS

- If the person admitted their guilt and asked for forgiveness, then we should forgive and reconciliation is the result; If they do not admit to their guilt after being Scripturally confronted, then we must in our hearts forgive them (Matthew 18:33,35).
- If we remained offended, and did nothing, we have disobeyed. We should seek reconciliation (Matthew 5:24)

2 - VERSES

- [Matt 18:33](#) Should you not have had compassion as I had pity on you?
- [Matt 5:24](#) Be reconciled to your brother
- [Matt. 6:14-15](#) "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."
- [Prov. 15:32](#) He who disdains instruction despises his own soul, But he who heeds rebuke gets understanding.
- [Luke 17:3-4](#) Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. And if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times in a day returns to you, saying, 'I repent,' you shall forgive him.
- [Ps. 119:21](#) You rebuke the proud --- the cursed, Who stray from Your commandments.

EXAM 3 – How can you apply the story about Clara Barton to some situation in your life?

3 - COMMENTS

- Clara Barton never held a grudge, and chose not to remember a wrong done to her. She was kind, tender-hearted and humble.
- Do I respond in the same way?

3 - VERSES

- [Col. 3:12-14](#) Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.
- [Phil. 2:5-7](#) Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.
- [Eph. 4:32](#) And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

EXAM 4 – What are some practical ways you could show kindness to someone who has sinned against you but won't acknowledge that he's wrong?

4 - COMMENTS

- We show kindness by not returning in like manner to that person and leaving the matter with God. This is being like Christ (1 Peter 2:23)

4 - VERSES

- [2 Peter 1:7](#) Brotherly kindness
- [John 13:35](#) We are to show others the kindness of God.
- [1 Peter 2:23](#) When He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously
- [Rom. 12:17-21](#) Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.¹⁸ If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men. Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. Therefore " If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.