WHY WE WON’T FORGIVE
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I. FIRST, LET’S CONSIDER THE CASE AGAINST FORGIVENESS.

A. For one thing, forgiveness denies the seriousness of what was done to us—Nahum 1:3.

B. Second, forgiveness lets people off the hook too easily—Matthew 18:21.

C. Third, forgiveness places most of the responsibility on the victim instead of the offender—Acts 8:22.

D. Fourth, forgiving others isn’t fair.

II. NOW, LET’S CONSIDER A CASE FOR FORGIVENESS.

A. First, often forgiveness is the only way to settle a debt—Matthew 18:23-34.

B. Second, forgiveness frees us to get on with the rest of our lives.

C. Third, forgiveness is a cure for future suffering—Heb. 12:15.


III. WHY SHOULD WE CHRISTIANS BE BETTER FORGIVERS THAN NON-CHRISTIANS?

A. First, because we know that all of us are sinners and in need of forgiveness—Romans 3:12.

B. Second, because we know the need to make the first move in being forgiven—1 John 1:9.

C. Third, because we understand the concept of “Grace”