

NECESSARY MIRACLE

“Why should I forgive you?” (Jeremiah 5:7)

“With God is forgiveness, therefore he is feared.” (*Psalms 130:3-4*)

*regarded with awe and wonder since
he does what he would not have to do!

FORGIVENESS

- It is unnatural
- It is supernatural

There is NOTHING in the world of natural revelation that exhorts or encourages “forgiveness”.

Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. (*James 5:16*)

Emotions. **Give** the charged emotions **to God** so that he may **disconnect** them while he repairs and heals

Bible Words

OT: Kpr = cover over

nsa = lift up

NT: aphieme = send away

apoluo – turn loose

Humanly, we often struggle to “let go”. Even when we offer forgiveness, it is difficult to proceed as if the offense never happened. This is why the Bible reminds us to put forth **diligent effort** to forgive.

GOOD NEWS! God does not have such issues!

- I will remember your sins no more (*Jer. 31:34*)
- I will cast them into the depths of the sea
(*Micah 7:19*)
- I will blot them out (*Isaiah 43:25*)
- I will remove them from you as far as the east is from the west (*Psalms 103:12*)

ATTITUDE

- The brothers **hated** Joseph ...
 - The brothers **contacted** Joseph ...
 - * Before he **trusted**, he **tested**

Even before he concluded that reconciliation was possible, Joseph **wanted** to forgive his brothers!

God's kind of forgiveness can be **offered**
and **experienced** by God's children.

Forgiveness is a **necessary miracle**.
It is what takes us to heaven, and it
is what brings heaven's joy to earth!