# Scripture References Answer to Tough Questions about Forgiveness

# Matthew 6:12 TLB

forgive us our sins, just as we have forgiven those who have sinned against us.

#### Matthew 6:15 NIV

But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

# **Ephesians 4:26 NKJV**

"Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil.

#### 1 Samuel 18:7-10 NKJV

So the women sang as they danced, and said: "Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands." Then Saul was very angry, and the saying displeased him;...So Saul eyed David from that day forward. And it happened on the next day that the distressing spirit from God came upon Saul...

# Esther 5:9-13 NKJV

Then Haman told them of his great riches, the multitude of his children, everything in which the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the officials and servants of the king. Moreover Haman said, "Besides, Queen Esther invited no one but me to come in with the king to the banquet that she prepared; and tomorrow I am again invited by her, along with the king. Yet all this avails me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate."

# James 2:26 NKJV

...faith without works is dead also.

# Matthew 5:44 NIV

Pray for those who persecute you

# **Ephesians 6:12 NKJV**

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age...

#### John 2:14-15 NKJV

And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the money changers doing business. When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of

the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables.

# **Ephesians 4:26 NKJV**

"Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath,

#### **Matthew 18:21-35 NKJV**

Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. "But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

# **Matthew 18:21-22 NKJV**

Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times."

# Luke 17:5 NKJV

And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

#### 1 Peter 2:23 NKJV

who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

# 1 Peter 2:21 NIV

To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

# Luke 17:5 NKJV

And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

# 2 Corinthians 9:14 NIV

And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you.

# **Ephesians 6:12 NKJV**

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

# Romans 10:17 NKJV

So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

# Romans 12:17 NIV

Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.

#### **Ecclesiates 7:9 NIV**

Do not be quickly provoked in your spirit, for anger resides in the lap of fools.

# Hebrews 12:15 NKJV

looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled;

# **Hebrews 12:15 Translator's New Testament**

... "and spoils everybody's life"

# Matthew 19:3-4 NKJV

The Pharisees also came to Him, testing Him, and saying to Him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for just any reason?" And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female,'

# Matthew 19:6 NKJV

Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate

# Matthew 19:7 NLT

They said to Him, "Why then did Moses command to give a certificate of divorce, and to put her away?"

# Matthew 19:8 NIV

Jesus replied, "Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning.

# **Ephesians 4:32 NKJV**

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

# Psalms 139:23-24 NKJV

Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if *there is any* wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

# **Mark 11:25 NKJV**

"And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.

# 1 John 4:20 NKJV

If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?