EMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

Needs December 2023

Residents in Long Term Care - Pastors' Services

- May those in nursing homes not feel neglected or forgotten.
- May those who don't have family visiting because of distance, be encouraged by the regular church services provided by the pastors
- May those who live in long-term care be certain they will be with Jesus when they die.
- For those who work in long-term care homes, we pray for blessings. May they show love and grace to those they serve

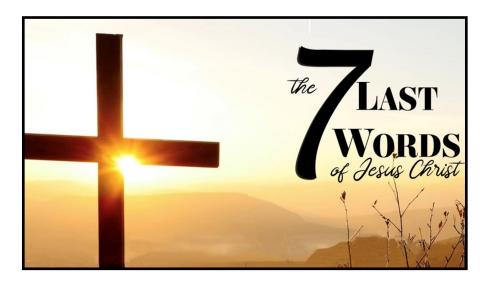
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- 6. Woodrow Kroll said, "God forgets your confessed sins, so you should too." Do you, at times, find it hard to forgive yourself? Are there times when your heart condemns you over sins you've already asked God's forgiveness for?
- 7. Jesus suffered immensely in order to win your forgiveness. He did not suffer such abuse so that you could hold onto your own guilt or continue to withhold forgiveness from others. Take some time in prayer to allow God's forgiveness to set you free and to think of those whom you have trouble forgiving. Ask God for help.

"Forgiveness is the economy of the heart. Forgiveness saves the expense of anger, the cost of hatred, the waste of spirits."

-Hannah More (1745-1833)





Sunday, February 25, 2024

Words of Forgiveness



Words of Forgiveness (Luke 23:26-34). Passage Breakdown Notes:				
The Words. "Father, forgive t	hem, for the	y do not ki	now what they are do	oing."
Father.				
Forgive.				
Them.				
Know.				
Jesus' Teachi Matthew 6:14-15 If you don't forgiv	and Mark 11	_	s.	
Jesus didn't just _		forgiven	ess, He	it.
Forgiveness is not	t			
Forgiveness is a _		·		
How To Be A Forgiving Person.				
1. Recognize my o	own	(Psalm	130:3-4, Romans 3:2	.3)
2. Feel the			of Christ's forgivenes	SS.
3. Recognize the meagerness of your				
4 God.				
Our Response	e.			
1	_ in Christ's fo	orgiveness	. (Ephesians 1:7)	
2	others. (2 C	Corinthians	5:18-20)	
Jesus	t	he	nature o	f God.

Personal Study & Small Group Questions

Read Luke 23:26-34.

- 1. Verse 34 is one of the most famous passages to be found in the Bible. Why do you think that is?
- 2. What are some emotions you associate with forgiveness?
- 3. Dan said that forgiving others is not optional for Christians, and that it is a responsibility. What was your initial reaction to this? Does it seem unfair? Too much to ask?
- C.S. Lewis said, "To be a Christian means to forgive the inexcusable, because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you."

Read Matthew 18:23-35.

4. Parables are stories Jesus told "alongside" a truth (parable means "cast along side"). In this parable, who is the Master representing?

How does this parable speak to our responsibility as follows of Christ?

What is the warning in this parable?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:18-20.

5. How does this passage bring to light the importance of forgiving others? How would people respond to our message that they can be reconciled to God if we do not offer them reconciliation with ourselves?

Would withholding forgiveness from others negatively affect the presentation of the Gospel?

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