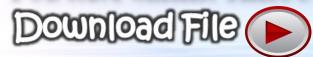


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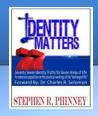
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**Identity Matters: # 10 Seeking Forgiveness** 





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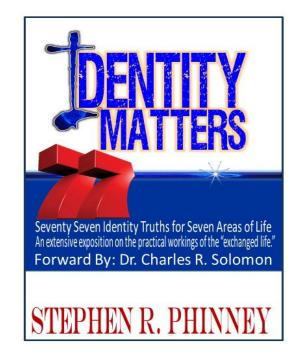


#### **RELATIONAL PRAYER**

Dear Lord Jesus, I believe and know that relationships are for the divine purpose of revealing Your message of Truth to those You bring into our lives. I boldly stand before Your throne. I appropriate the power and authority You have given me as a Child of God. I am a lover of Your Truth and Righteousness and it is because of that love that I pull down the walls, relationships, and barriers that Satan and his kingdom are building between (person you are struggling with) and me. I pray Lord, that You would demolish all the destructive strongholds the kingdom of darkness has been able to erect between us. I ask my Lord, for You to unleash the mighty power of the loving heavenly Father on our relationship to make it all You want it to be. I ask that the Holy Spirit to put within \_\_\_\_\_ and me Your fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. By the faith You have given me by Your own measurement, I pray the healing power of the true and living Word to break down all strongholds in our relationship that rise up against Your hand. I ask for healing in our relationship and if you lead me to seek their forgiveness for anything I have done to hurt \_\_\_\_ - make me willing. I ask all this in Your mighty name. Amen.

### **Matthew 5:21-24**

Scripture Reading (Please Stand)







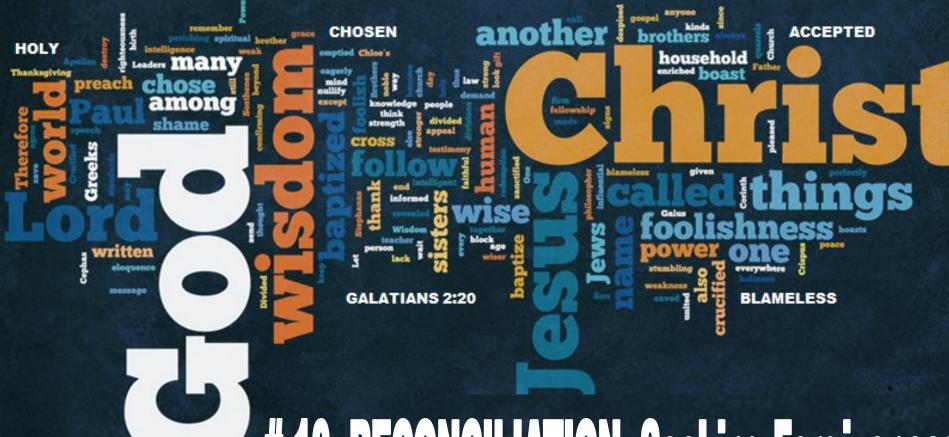
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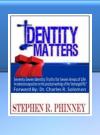




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# # 10: RECONCILIATION: Seeking Forgiveness

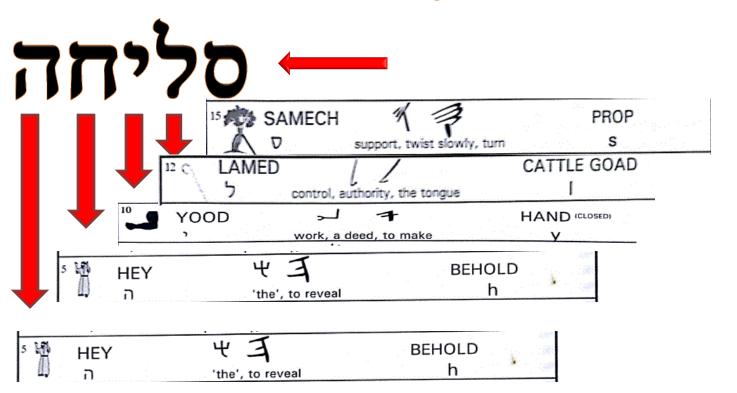


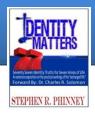
## SEKING FORGIVENESS

If anyone has anything against us, we must go and seek forgiveness. It is a vital part of the Christian life – It demonstrates what Christ did for us.

# Forgiveness

To turn toward authority to make the reveal.

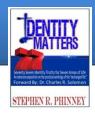




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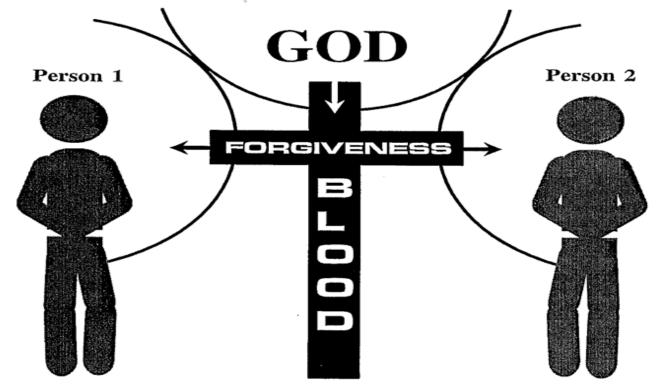
**Grant freedom; (figuratively) pardon: - deliverance, forgiveness, liberty, remission.** 



# Full Meaning:

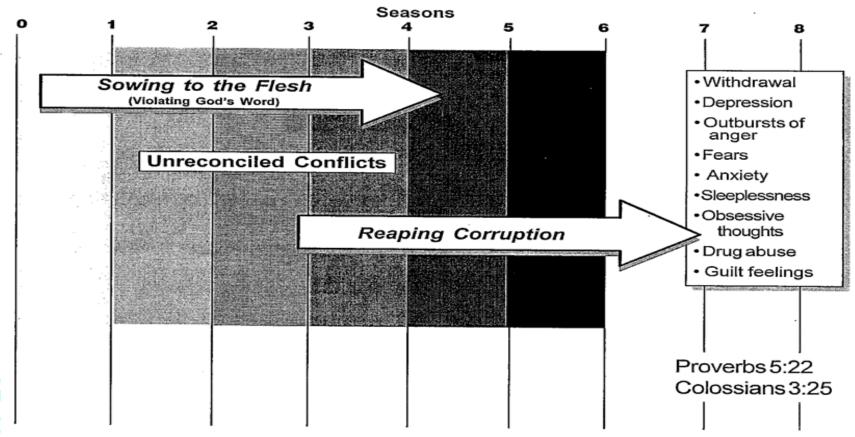
To grant freedom, deliverance & remission through the turning to authority (Christ) to make known the reveal of liberty.

#### Forgiveness & The Cross



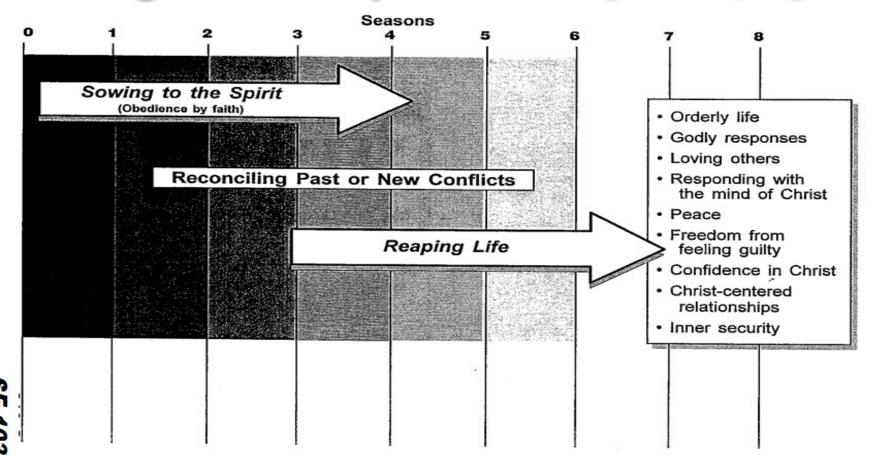
1 John 1:7 Acts 24:16 Rom. 12:18

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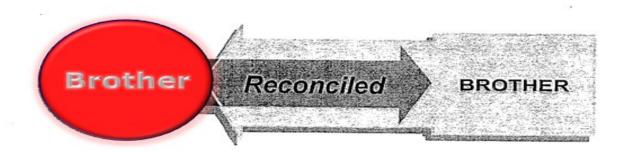
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### Sowing To The Spirit – Sowing & Reaping



### Seeking Forgiveness





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MATT. 5:23-24

### Seeking Forgiveness Process

"If therefore you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, and go your way; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering."

Matthew 5:23-24

Seeking forgiveness is honestly "seeing" how I hurt another person by my words or actions. Then I go to that person and say I was wrong for what I did and ask that person to forgive me. Before I go I need to forgive anything I am holding against that person.

Eleven Keys to Seeking Forgiveness:

# Let's a look at the 11 Keys...

## **Seeking Forgiveness**

#### **Eleven Keys:**

- Re-examine what seeking forgiveness is NOT.
- 2. Allow the Holy Spirit to search your heart.
- 3. The offense should be clear to the other person.
- 4. Respond quickly.
- 5. Review the offense clearly.
- 6. Rehearse only as much details as necessary.
- 7. Reject any defense, excuses or blame.
- 8. Quickly move to ask: "I was wrong for \_\_\_\_\_, will you forgive me?"
- 9. Pray for the right timing.
- 10. Strive to do this in person whenever possible.
- 11. Don't write letters unless there is no other way.

## **Making A List**

Sin Against Offender		
"I was wrong for	, will you forgive me?	
1. Pushing for Truth		
2. Threatening Divorce		
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### Rebuilding Relationships

#### REBUILD RELATIONSHIPS

#### OFFENDER needs to

- listen to other person's hurts, needs, and desires.
- prayerfully and practically care for the other person's very life.
- go out of his/her way to demonstrate I am trustworthy.
  - ➤ make restitution and more.

    Numbers 5:7
  - ye go over and above what would seem to be obvious or expected.

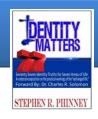
#### OFFENDED needs to

- > forgive the offender. 2 Cor. 2:7-8
- > bless those who curse you.
- ➤ pray. ➤ love. ➤ do good.
- ➤ turn cheek. ➤ give. ➤ do unto them.

  Luke 6:27-32
  - > keep no record of wrong.
  - > always trust.
  - > always hope.
    - ➤ always love. 1 Cor. 13:5-7
      - be willing to let the other fail, which could include hurting you again.

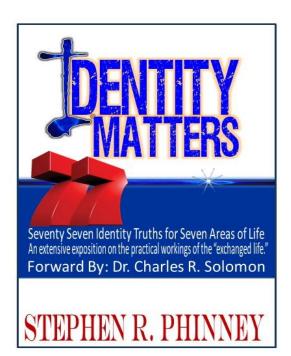
#### BOTH need to

- > thank the Lord for His ministry of reconciliation.
  - > pray for and/or with this person.
- > spend time with the person, in his/her wants and needs.



## IDENTITY DOES MATTER

" You have heard that the ancients were told, "YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER" and "Whoever commits murder shall be liable to the court." But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever says to his brother, "You good-for-nothing," shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whoever says, "You fool," shall be guilty enough to go into the fiery hell. Therefore if you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering' " (Matthew 5:21-24).





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