

PAY IT FORWARD

Good Morning TCC we are presently in the second week of our fall series Called total Forgiveness... using the life of Joseph in the Old Testament as our guide last week we gave emphasis to... **loosen your grip**...how to break free from a self-imposed prison of holding a grudge.

Today this talk is called paying it forward ...living the life of Total forgiveness

Genesis 50:20 – You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. (NIV)

TOTAL FORGIVENESS SEES THE BIG PICTURE

...God intended it for good...

Psalms 105:17-20 – He sent a man before them—Joseph—who was sold as a slave.¹⁸ They hurt his feet with fetters, he was laid in irons.¹⁹ Until the time that his word came to pass, the word of the LORD tested him. (NKJV)

“Forgiveness is intended to be a life sentence.” - RT Kendall

Ephesians 4:26-27... Do not let the sun go down on your anger... do not give the devil a foothold!!

TOTAL FORGIVENESS IS A KINGDOM DISTINCTIVE

1 John 3:8 – For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. (NKJV)

Jesus accomplished this by initiating forgiveness on the cross. The greatest spiritual weapon we possess to defeat the enemies advance is forgiveness.

TOTAL FORGIVENESS MEANS NO LIMITS

Matthew 18:21-22 – Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" No!" Jesus replied, " seventy times seven! (NLT)

Ephesians 2:8-9 – For by Grace are you saved...through faith... **it's a gift of God...**

Romans 6:23 – The wages of sin is death... but **the gift of God** is eternal life through Jesus

2 Corinthians 9:15- Thank God **for His unspeakable Gift**

TOTAL FORGIVENESS IS IMPOSSIBLE

Forgiveness does not come naturally

Zechariah 4:6 – "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit," says the LORD Almighty. (NIV)

Luke 1:37 – For with God nothing will be impossible (NKJV)