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The Anatomy of Forgiveness, Part 1
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Forgiven people **forgive people**.

1. We forgive because **God first forgave** us.

- Forgiveness has always been **God's way** because it's always been **God's heart**.

2. We forgive to **free ourselves**.

- Forgiveness is only an option when someone **doesn't deserve it**.

3. We forgive as an **act of love**, not **obligation**.

- The willingness to forgive is supposed to be a **natural byproduct** of the **experience** of God's **grace**.

4. We forgive in order to **point people to Jesus**.

- Forgiveness that results in **reconciliation** is a **blessing** that **the world can see**.

This week I will ...