

Why Should I Forgive You?

Jeremiah 5:7-8

When Jeremiah walked the streets of Jerusalem, if he found anyone who acted justly and sought the truth, God would pardon them; those with committed hearts, not the half-hearted ones. God values those who show true humility and absolute sorrow for the wrongs they do. He wants to know how you can give your heart to him and yet do not obey. How do you bend your knee at his altar, but do not bend your will?

God sees the secret sin in our heart that we do not share with anyone. We have a thousand sins, yet we brag about the one act of obedience. Shouldn't God punish us for all the sins and the times we turned away from him? The thing is, we know God, but we still sin right in his face.

Why does he forgive us? He continues to love us in spite of our wrongdoings. He opens up doors for us, and yet we give the credit to everything and everybody except for him. He provides for us, and even makes a way for us to return back to him. All the while our heart is wandering and we have to pull it back to Him.

He has given us wisdom and knowledge, and shows us right from wrong. When things do not go according to plan we resent God and blame him for our misfortune, but we have to release the disappointments and drop the accusations. In the midst of our setbacks, God is still loving and forgiving us. He continues to rescue us from darkness and make ways out of no way even when we do not deserve it.

