

Forgiving and Overlooking Offenses

Question: Why should we develop the mindset and practice of overlooking offenses and granting forgiveness to others?

Some biblical principles to consider:

- 1) **It is to our g_____ to overlook an offense.**

Proverbs 19:11 “A man’s wisdom gives him patience; it is to his **glory** to overlook an offense”.

- 2) **A p_____ p_____ overlooks insults.**

Proverbs 12:16 “A fools shows his annoyance at once, but a prudent man overlooks an insult”.

Case study: King David - 2 Samuel 16:5-13

- 3) **We should learn to d_____ m_____ before disputes break out.**

Proverbs 17:14 “... drop matters before a dispute breaks out”.

- 4) **A w_____ person keeps himself under control.**

Proverbs 29:11 “A fool gives full vent to his anger, but a wise man keeps himself under control”.

- 5) **We should f_____ whatever grievances we have against each other***

- 6) **We should forgive as the L_____ has forgiven us***

* Refer to Colossians 3:12-14 & Ephesians 4:32-5:2

**Parable of the Unmerciful Servant from Matthew 18:21-35.
Key learning’s?**

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