



# FORGIVENESS & FORGIVING

What happens in the Church if  
we minimize our sin or refuse to  
deal with it?

- We forgive because ... (Ephesians 4:32)
- Forgiveness is for the benefit of the \_\_\_\_\_!
- In a nutshell, forgiveness is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Forgiveness is modeled after ...

REVIEW



- This promise means that the sin that is forgiven...

1. Will not be brought up again to the sinner or to others in the future

2. Will not be exhumed to “pile on” or “beat up” the sinner. It is buried.

3. Will never be used against the sinner again.

**FORGIVENESS IS A PROMISE!**

- When someone sins against us, breaking fellowship with us, we go to \_\_\_\_\_.
- When we go, we may need to \_\_\_\_\_ them about their sin.
- When a brother repents, we have a \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive that person.
- Refusal to forgive a repentant brother is choosing \_\_\_\_\_!

REVIEW

## With Unbelievers ...

- As far as it depends on me, I strive to live at \_\_\_\_\_ with others.
- If necessary, I should try steps \_\_\_\_\_ of Matthew 18 with unbelievers.
- My desire is always for the \_\_\_\_\_ of an unbeliever!

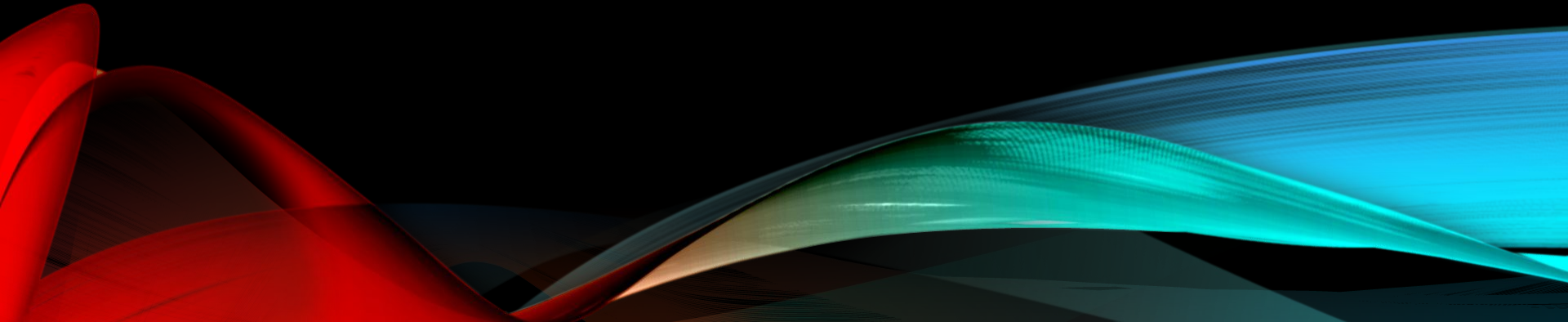
REVIEW

## When I am the Sinner ...

- I need the \_\_\_\_\_ to convict me of my sin.
- I will seek \_\_\_\_\_ with my brother even over \_\_\_\_\_!
- I will seek to “\_\_\_\_\_ come to terms” with unbelievers.

REVIEW

WHAT IF I  
AM THE SINNER?"



## *Ephesians 4:26-32*

1. Don't let \_\_\_\_\_ take over
2. Recognize the inherent \_\_\_\_\_ involved in the process.
3. Seek \_\_\_\_\_ (not just confession).
4. Watch your \_\_\_\_\_!

FURTHER HELPS



## *Ephesians 4:26-32*


**5. Remember your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_.**

**6. Remove all \_\_\_\_\_**

**\* Hint: \_\_\_\_\_ with it!**

**7. Be \_\_\_\_\_ and tenderhearted.**

**FURTHER HELPS**



***What happens in the church if we minimize our sin or refuse to deal with it?***

# *1 Corinthians 1:10-13*

\_\_\_\_\_!

PROBLEMS IF WE DON'T SEEK  
RECONCILIATION IN THE  
CHURCH

# *1 Corinthians 5:6-8*

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***1 Corinthians 11:17ff***  
***Discord leading to***  
***\_\_\_\_\_!***


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*The same as we would  
expect to expose in  
others:  
Actual sins*

WHAT DO WE CONFESS?





***Be careful  
in seeking forgiveness  
for “heart” sins!***

WHAT DO WE CONFESS?

***“Heart” sins  
should always be  
confessed to God!***

***Why?***

***Psalm 139:23-24***

**WHAT DO WE CONFESS?**



# Dealing with the consequences...

NEXT WEEK