31-DAY CONSECRATION FAST DEVOTIONAL

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Read <u>Matthew 18:21-22</u>, <u>Matthew 5:23-24</u>, <u>Matthew 6:14-15</u>, <u>Colossians 3:13</u>

Are you struggling to forgive? If you're struggling with forgiveness, remember you're not alone. Many have struggled with this. However, in the midst of the struggle we can find the hope we need in Jesus to overcome and truly forgive. Forgiveness doesn't mean you will forget what happened to you. You may occasionally be faced with the memories of what happened, you're human and that is to be expected. What does matter however is whether or not you will allow those memories to take you down a dark path by stealing your joy and robbing you of your peace and holding you captive. Forgiveness is indeed a process, but it is also a requirement. The scriptures tell us that we must forgive but we cannot forgive on our own. We need the help of the Holy Spirit and the love of God to forgive. Are you ready to turn the corner and forgive today? The longer you refuse to forgive, the more you harm yourself spiritually, mentally, and physically. Take the step toward forgiveness today. Today, when you pray, ask the Lord to help you to forgive those things that seem to be unforgivable. He can and He will help you, if you let Him.