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“UNFORGIVENESS SHORT CIRCUIT TO GOD’S BLESSINGS”

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A short circuit commonly refers to an electrical device that malfunctions or fails. Another meaning for short-circuit is to impede, hinder, obstruct, or hold back. We should understand that harboring unforgiveness in our hearts is one of the common hindrances to our prayers. Thus, it will short-circuit God’s blessings in our life (Hebrews 12:7-11).

1. How do we identify unforgiveness in ourselves?

- 1.1 Revenge (vengeance)
- 1.2 Resentment (anger, bitterness, and hatred)
- 1.3 Remembering (never forgets)

2. What are the consequences of an unforgiving spirit?

- 2.1 God will not hear our prayers (Isaiah 59:1-2; Psalm 66:18).
- 2.2 Our prayers are an abomination to God (Proverbs 28:9).
- 2.3 Opens the door to inner torment: thoughts, feelings of misery, and agonizing unrest within us (Matthew 18:21-35).

3. What are the final effects of unforgiveness?

- 3.1 It will hinder our fellowship with God. We cannot be one with God because He wants us to forgive (Matthew 18; Mark 11:25).
- 3.2 We will get sick of disease (Matthew 18:23).
- 3.3 Death (Romans 6:23).
- 3.4 Damnation (Matthew 5:22).

4. How are we able to share boundless forgiveness?

We should:

- 4.1 Consider God’s forgiveness of us.
- 4.2 Understand that forgiveness is not easy (Psalm 32:1).
- 4.3 Ask God to open our eyes to unforgiveness (2 Corinthians 4:4).
- 4.4 Seek genuine forgiveness from those individuals we refuse to forgive.
- 4.5 Ask God’s grace to help us forgive.
- 4.6 Ask God to forgive us and cleanse us from pain and sorrow.

Conclusion:

Mark 11:22-26 clearly teaches us that unforgiveness hinders our faith from working. As Christians, we are told to be forgiving people. It is impossible to live a victorious Christian life with unforgiveness in our life. The act of forgiving is our seed of obedience to His Word. Once we have sown our seed, He is faithful to bring a harvest of blessings to us in one way or another. Hence, let us do ourselves a favor and forgive.

Reflection:

1. Are you harboring hurt and unforgiveness that you just can’t seem to shake?
2. Is there someone that you need to forgive?
3. Do you need God’s forgiveness?
3. How is your Christian life - your relationship with God?

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