



THE DISTRACTION OF REVENGE

Matthew 18:21-22

Welcome to Concord this Lord's Day as we continue our series on "Fatal Distractions". Today we are looking at "The Distraction of Revenge". We can call it "unforgiveness" or "getting even", but the bottom line is that many people never get back on track because they are distracted by the need for vengeance. We are going to look at some Biblical examples this morning and consider the better-known examples of self.

It was Simon Peter who asked the question: "How many times should I forgive?" Seven times is not sufficient and 490 times is not enough. Forgiveness is to be infinite. Jesus made the point that forgiveness is ongoing.

- I. I Cannot Forget the _____ of Unforgiveness.
Unforgiveness _____ the heart.
Unforgiveness _____ the spirit.
Unforgiveness _____ the death.
- II. I Cannot Forget the _____ of Unforgiveness.
We become the biggest casualty when we seek revenge.
- III. I Cannot Forget the _____ where I am Forgiven.
Three words we need to heart: " _____ ".
Three words we need to speak: " _____ ".

It is at the cross where we find forgiveness and the power to forgive.

God is so good to us and we have so much to be thankful for. As we turn the calendar to the month of Thanksgiving may our hearts be filled with great joy at all He has done.

Your Servant in Christ,
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