



Forgiveness

means

that I will freely restore the forgiven to his former state before the wrong doing occurred, and that I will not dwell on the error nor bring it up in any future situations. It is a promise I make to the one seeking forgiveness. The importance of this promise lies in knowing that, once a wound has been cleaned out, it must be allowed to heal. To reopen it only endangers that healing and presents the possibility of a new infection. As time passes in God's love, the memory of any hurt that is indeed forgiven fades to insignificance.

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