

A WORD OF FORGIVENESS

“Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing.” Luke 23:34

*BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN _____,
WE ARE EXPECTED TO _____.

*FORGIVENESS DOESN'T REQUIRE US TO BE _____.

*FORGIVENESS IS NOT THE SAME AS _____.

-FORGIVENESS IS _____, RESTORATION IS _____.

*FORGIVENESS PROMPTS US TO GIVE OTHERS THE
“_____”

*FORGIVENESS IS OFTEN A _____ THAT BEGINS
WITH A _____.

*SOMETIMES FORGIVENESS IS MORE _____
THAN _____.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT FROM THE MESSAGE (4-12-20)

*Take a moment to really think about the injustice of Jesus being crucified as well as the rejection and pain that He endured; what feelings might you have felt if you were in Jesus' place at that moment?

*Repeatedly in Scripture, we find the call to forgive as God has forgiven us; what does that kind of forgiveness look like to you?

*Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." How have you experienced God's grace or forgiveness in your life?

*What is a time in your life when you've felt wounded by someone else's words, actions, or lack of action? What became of that situation or relationship?

*Paul wrote that we should "get rid of all bitterness." Why is bitterness such a concern when we feel wounded?

*How might understanding the difference between forgiveness and restoration be helpful when we feel wounded by someone?

*Please take a moment to close your time with prayer, thanking God for the hope that we have because of His sacrifice on the cross.