

Forgiveness

*F*orgiveness is vital, forgiveness is essential,
Forgiveness is a thing we must do.
It is the first thing that comes to mind
To ensure our salvation is true.

*F*orgive them that hurt you, forgive them that hate you,
Forgive them, for all sorts of things.
We must be people who trust in our God,
And obey Him in each thing He brings.

*T*his came about as I talked to a friend,
Who'd just read a book about hell.
It quickened my spirit, it scared me I know,
As I don't think I've done it that well

*I*t came to me as I wrote this poem
There were people that I'd have to find;
Those that I needed deep down to forgive,
And others, as they came to mind.

*W*e need to forgive, it's as simple as that.

We must do it, as it comes our way.

Don't go under to offences, just give them a flick,

Just forget, and they'll never stay.

*I*t's when we hang onto these stupid wee things,

That they send their roots into our hearts.

The bitterness forms rather quickly, I know,

But prayer will see them depart.

*"K*eeep short accounts," is a catch-cry for us,

So much wisdom is found in the "Book".

Be repentant, forgive, and leave it alone,

Move on, with no backward look.

*W*hen someone you love in the end lets you down,

Your first thought is to even the score.

But forget it, my friend, just love them to bits,

Give out riches to those who are poor.

*I*n Luke 23:34 you will find

The example that He set for us.

“Forgive them,” He said, as they nailed His hands,

What a man, He forgave, without fuss.

*W*hen sickness appears on our bodies, at times,

We pray to the Lord, “Help us live,”

But before we get to recovery mode,

The first thing we do is forgive.

*D*on't let past hurts try to fester inside,

Don't let them change how you live.

Give them to Jesus, it's simple you know,

Get on with it – love and forgive.

*T*here are people around us, our mentors I guess,

“Don't get bitter, get better,” they say.

These pearls of wisdom don't come easily,

Remember their deeds as you pray.

***F**orgive our trespass” - it’s in the Lord’s prayer,
It’s half of what concerns us.
We do our part, but here’s what it says,
“Forgive them, that trespass, ‘gainst us.”*

***L**ife is not easy, and when we’ve been wronged,
Back into our caves we do run.
Let’s face our accusers, forgive them per se,
And pray to God’s wonderful Son.*

***F**orgive and forget, just leave it alone,
Don’t be a stick in the mud.
We’ve been promised so much in this life,
By the shedding of His precious blood.*

***H**e’s done all the hard work, now let us do ours,
Start daily in prayer to begin.
Encourage our loved ones in prayer, we are told,
To walk in forgiveness of sins.*

*We have just heard Jill Austin stepped over
To be with her husband and Lord.
It's time to reflect on the cauldron we live in,
It's safer to be near His sword.*

*Make sure you know just where you are headed,
When your time upon earth it will end.
With forgiveness for all, is your guarantee,
That you'll go to be with your Friend.*

*We aren't perfect, by quite a long shot,
Never will be, till we are Home,
Let's be ambassadors now to His great Name,
Forgiveness, the seeds to be sown.*

*Seven letters, God's number, that make up this Word,
It's a lifestyle that we have to live.
No matter the garbage that hampers our walk,
His heartfelt command – yep, "Forgive".*