



Week 2: The decision to forgive

1. **For our Apostle and Prophet:** May God give you an increase of wisdom and compassion in your leadership.

James 3:17 (NIV) " *But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.*"

2. **For Reconciliation:** May broken relationships within the church be healed through forgiveness.

Matthew 5:24 (NIV) " *leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.*"

3. **For the release of resentment:** May each member of the congregation be freed from resentment and find peace.

Ephesians 4:31-32 (NIV) " *Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*"

4. **By the Spirit of forgiveness:** May the Holy Spirit infuse a spirit of forgiveness into every heart.

Colossians 3:13 (NIV) " *Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.*"

5. **For each person's prayer petitions:** May God hear and respond to each need presented.

Philippians 4:6 (NIV) " *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*"

6. **For the desire to get involved in a CG:** May God put the desire and the doing in each of the church members to open their homes, sign up as leaders or join a Connection Group.

Philippians 2:13 (NLT) " *For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.*"