AND WHY CALL YE ME LORD, LORD, & DO NOT THE THINGS WHICH I SAY? LUKE 6:46

Lately I've met quite a number of people who see themselves both as Christians & as dedicated representatives of Christ's vision on earth. They speak the lingo, read the Word, attend their churches, & even do lots of good works. However, they can also demonstrate a clear inability to forgive, in some cases nurturing grudges that date back to early childhood & in other cases they are unable to release even those who are clearly repentant in their presence today. I confess, this has been rather shocking for me to witness, especially since it clearly violates the terms of the salvation contract.

Before Christ's sacrifice there was absolutely no hope for us to escape the curse we were born into. By himself taking on that curse (for everyone is cursed who hangs on a tree) Christ released us from its grip. That is, by taking on our sins he gave us the opportunity to receive forgiveness, justification & reconciliation with God the Father. This is Christ's magnificent gift to humanity.

However, what many people fail to understand is that there a certain conditions that must be met in order to be eligible to one day receive that gift. Forgiving others is on the top of the list & no amount of 'Praise God, Hallelujah' outbursts will compensate. God is looking at the heart & there is absolutely NO WIGGLE ROOM on the issue of forgiveness.

Let's take a no nonsense look at the divine contract:

Christ speaking: Matthew 6:15

But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Christ speaking: Matthew 18:21-35

- 21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?
- 22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.
- 23 Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.
- 24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents.
- 25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

- 26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
- 27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.
- 28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.
- 29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
- 30 And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.
- 31 So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.
- 32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredest me:
- 33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?
- 34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.
- 35 So <u>likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts</u> forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

So there you have it. <u>Until & unless you forgive others you risk your own hope for pardon</u>. I implore you to please make the right choice & make it fast. To that end I'm going to provide an offer that may help. There's a technique I was trained in that is amazingly effective to assist in the releasing of anger, pain & sadness related to damaged love experiences. I used this method frequently & with great success in my healing practice & I'm willing to make myself available at no charge. You can use the contact form on the website to email or call 631-219-9275 to set up an appointment. Just be sure to leave a CLEAR voice message if I don't answer. The day is far spent & the time is truly at hand. Please get your houses in order quickly. gaye