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Sermon: When we Pray: Forgive

Main text: Matthew 6:12,14

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does this story tell me about God?

2. What does this story tell me about people (or about myself)?

3. If this is God's word for my life, how will I obey it?

4. Who am I, going to tell?

Key points, and quotes to reflect on and discuss from Rick's message:

The Lord's Prayer...

Matthew 6:5-15

Pray then like this:

"Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.^[a]

¹⁰ Your kingdom come,
your will be done,^[b]
on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,^[c]

¹² and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³ And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.^[d]

¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

"This Contested space we all live in."

Rick shared: The place he feels contested is actually his own heart."

“A Prayer from Below”

“A forgiveness which needs to shake me from within.”

“Debt is like burden a heaviness, a weight...”

“Loving our Enemy that is what we are working on.”

3 words that could help us with forgiveness...

Noticing- Is reflecting, pondering.

Discerning- May look like talking things through with a trusted friend or a pastor seeking wisdom.

Responding- Is us acting, responding in obedience.

“A love that goes Beyond”