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# When Your Family Needs Forgiveness

Genesis 42-45

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“Of all the gifts you can give, no gift is greater than the gift of forgiveness.”

“Everyone says forgiveness is a lovely idea until they have something to forgive. And then, to mention the subject at all is to be greeted with howls of anger.” —C.S. Lewis

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## Genesis 42:1-9a

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## **Additional Facts and Events**

- Challenges their motives.  
Genesis 42:10-20 “spies” (Genesis 42:11)
- Exposes their guilt.  
Proverbs 28:1 (Genesis 42:21-22)
- Keeps their brother, Simeon.  
(Genesis 42:24)
- Returns their money. (Genesis 42:25-28)

## **Proverbs 28:1**

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- Sees Benjamin and invites them in.  
Genesis 43:16-18
- Relieves their fears. Genesis 43:19-23
- Asks about their dad. Genesis 43:27-30
- Shares a feast. Genesis 43:31-34
- Refills, reloads and resends.  
Genesis 44:1-34
- Reveals himself. Genesis 45:1-3
- Forgives their offense and affirms  
God’s grace. Genesis 45:4-8a

## **Genesis 45:1-8a**

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## **1. Forgiveness Comes When**

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# 1 John 3:1, 10-11, 16, 18

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“Forgiveness means that we no longer use the offense to drive a wedge between us, hurting and injuring one another. It means we will not use the offense as a weapon against someone else. Forgiveness means that the power of love that holds us together is greater than the power of the offense that separates us. That is forgiveness. In forgiveness, we are releasing our offenders so that they are no longer bound to us. In a very real sense we are freeing them to receive God’s grace.” —Richard Foster

## 2. Forgiveness does not erase

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## 3. Forgiveness frees us from

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# Romans 12:9-10,16-19, 21

## 4. Forgiveness must be \_\_\_\_\_ to be expressed.

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“A happy marriage is the union of two good forgivers.” —Ruth Graham

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