



KEEP CALM AND LOVE ONE ANOTHER

RELATIONSHIP RULES
FORGIVENESS

SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

SERMON OUTLINE

Ephesians 4:30-32

God has created us to live a full life and that life is to be lived out in the context of relationships. **John 10:10, Ephesians 4:1**

The health and maturity of my relationship with God can be measured by the health and maturity of the relationships God has put in my life.

Your relationship with God is not alright when you are in a bad relationship with other Christians. **Mt. 5:23-24, John 13:34-35, Mt. 26:22-23**

God has not only invited me into a life that is full and meaningful, but he's also identified me as his own and desires me to live at peace with others.

The world's system is an eye for an eye, tooth for a tooth. God's way is forgiveness. **Colossians 3:13**

Forgiveness doesn't make any sense unless you've been FORGIVEN.

The world says to forgive and forget... Paul says Forgive and don't forget what was done on the cross.

You forgive others not because they deserve it.. but because you have been forgiven.

Three steps to forgiving:

1. Identify the people with whom you're angry
2. Determine what they owe you
3. Cancel their debt

Forgiveness is a decision, not a FEELING!

Forgiving others is something that we do for us, not for someone else