

12.13.09 **Forgiveness and the Future**

- Two Connections:
 - Blessing & Honor!
 - Redemption & Reconciliation!
- Components of Reconciliation:
 - Confession
 - Forgiveness
 - Payment
- Posture of Readiness:
 - Boundaries Provide Room
 - Prerogative Provides Authority
- Why It Seems Impossible:
 - "Reconciliation is not possible unless you are willing to forgive and the other person apologizes and "makes it up" to you."
- Ephesians 4:30-32—
 - "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."
- Forgiveness & the Future:
 - A Posture of Redemption brings FREEDOM!