

FORGIVEN TO FORGIVING

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3. We are commanded to _____.
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God would not command you to do something that is impossible. Since he commands us to forgive others, it is not impossible. Refusal to forgive someone is a choice you cannot afford to make.

4. The ultimate goal of forgiving is _____.
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