

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## OVERCOMING REJECTION

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### PART 3: FORGIVING OTHERS

We have previously established that God is Light and Love. **1 John 1:4-5, 4:16**

#### HOW GOD DEALT WITH REJECTION

Since mankind had rejected God, there were only two options available for Him:

1. He could respond by destroying mankind with a permanent punishment that would never cease to exist (i.e. Lake of Fire). **Matthew 25:41**
2. He could add an escape clause that would forgive mankind for the sin of rejection, but there would also need to be an atonement to take care of the sin. **John 3:14-18**

#### GOD'S FORGIVENESS

There can't be any forgiveness unless some kind of payment has been made to compensate for the debt of sin. **Romans 6:23**

God in the form of Jesus the Son, took on the trespasses of sin upon Himself, and reconciled Himself to Himself. **Hebrews 9:7-26**

In this payment package, we find all trespasses people do toward one another is included and *paid for in full by Jesus!* **John 1:29-34**

If a person does not want to accept the payment Jesus made on their behalf while they are living on this earth, then the offer is removed at the time of death, and they will make a payment that will never end for eternity. **Revelation 20:10-15**

Therefore, regardless how badly one person treats another, that sin has been paid and God's spiritual law demands that we as Christians have to forgive others even if they do not repent to us or God. It doesn't matter how you feel, emotions have no place in this spiritual law; it must be obeyed if a person wants to be forgiven by God.

***Forgiving one another is not an option, it's the law!*** **Matthew 6:14-15, 18:21-35**

Our second step in overcoming rejection involves not only receiving forgiveness from God but also giving it to all the people who have hurt us, irregardless of how much pain they have caused. **Psalms 36:1-12**

#### DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?

