**Famous People on Forgiveness**

**The glory of Christianity is to conquer by forgiveness. *(William Blake)***

**It is easier to forgive an enemy than to forgive a friend. *(William Blake)***

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**Let us learn to forgive quickly -- that is to substitute the right thought for the wrong. Substitute the faith thought for the fear thought. *(Nona L. Brooks)***

**The one thing your friends will never forgive you is your happiness. *(Albert Camus)***

**The more a man knows, the more he forgives. *(Catherine the Great)***

**Doing an injury puts you below your enemy, revenging one makes you but even with him, forgiving it sets you above him! *(Benjamin Franklin)***

**The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong. *(Mahatma Gandhi)***

**A good marriage is the union of two forgivers. *(Ruth Bell Graham)***

**A wise man will make haste to forgive, because he knows the true value of time, and will not suffer it to pass away in unnecessary pain. *(Samuel Johnson)***

**Thank you, God, for this good life, and forgive us if we do not love it enough. *(Garrison Keillor, radio host)***

**Forgive your enemies, but never forget their names. *(John F. Kennedy)***

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**Forgiving and being forgiven are two names for the same thing. The important thing is that a discord has been resolved. *(C. S. Lewis, in Letters to Malcolm: Chiefly on Prayer)***

**To be a Christian means to forgive the \inexcusable because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you. *(C. S. Lewis)***

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**Forgiveness liberates the soul; it removes fear. That's why it's such a powerful weapon. *(Nelson Mandela)***

**We must make our homes centers of compassion and forgive endlessly. (*Mother Teresa)***

**It is better for a leader to make a mistake in forgiving than to make a mistake in punishing. *(Muhammad)***

**Forgiveness is not an occasional act; it is a permanent attitude. *(Martin Luther King, Jr.)***

**To err is human, to forgive, divine. *(Alexander Pope, in Essay on Criticism)***

**In 1965 Pope Paul VI issued a decree absolving Jews of collective guilt for the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. *(Rocky Mountain News)***

**If you are suffering from a bad man's injustice, forgive him lest there be two bad men. *(St. Augustine)***

**Forgiveness is not an elective in the curriculum of life. It is a required course, and the exams are always tough to pass. *(Charles Swindoll)***

**Forgiveness means giving up all hope for a better past. *(Lily Tomlin)***

**I will permit no man to narrow and degrade my soul by making me hate him. *(Booker T. Washington)***

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**Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much. *(Oscar Wilde)***

**After a good dinner one can forgive anybody, even one's own relations. *(Oscar Wilde, in A Woman of No Importance)***

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