

## BREAKTHROUGHS

FINDING FREEDOM AND TRUE FULFILLMENT IN JESUS

LESSON 9
RECEIVING FORGIVENESS



#### WHAT IS FORGIVENESS?

TO GIVE UP RESENTMENT

TO GIVE UP RETALIATION

GRANT RELIEF
FROM PAYMENT

WIPE THE SLATE CLEAN

AN ACT OF WILL: CHOICE

FREEDOM



EMBRACING TRUTH

WE HAVE BEEN WOUNDED BY ANOTHER AND THEN RELEASING THAT WOUND INTO THE HANDS OF GOD GIFT OF GRACE

OFFERING THE GIFT OF GRACE FOR SOMETHING INEXCUSABLE LIKE YOU EXPERIENCED WHEN CHRIST OFFERED HIS GIFT OF GRACE TO YOU

- RELEASED FROM THE PAIN OF THE PAST AND ITS INFLUENCE
- RELEASED FROM THE POWER OF THE OFFENDER

#### WHAT FORGIVENESS ISN'T

FORGETTING

IGNORING THE HURT ABSOLVING THE PERSON OF WHAT THEY DID

BECOMING A
DOORMAT TO
BE HURT
AGAIN

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Romans 8:31-39

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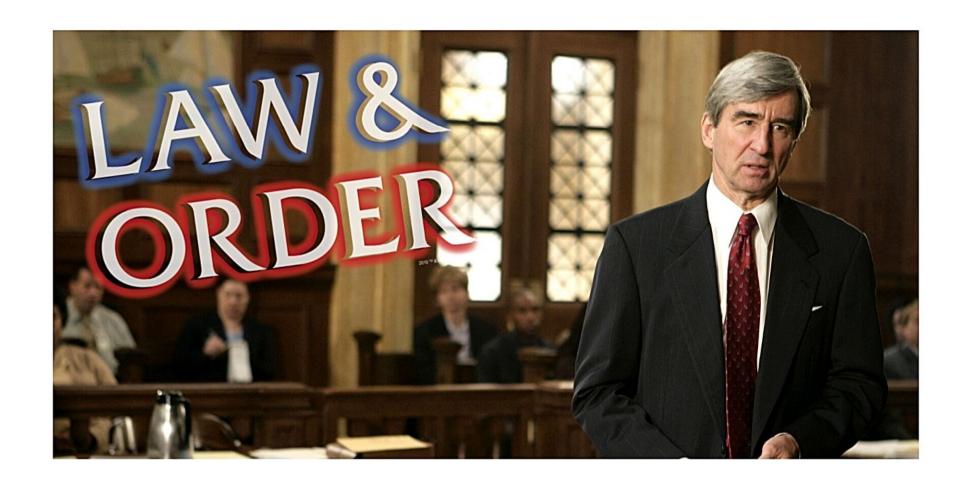
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Physical Evidence



Cumulative Evidence



Corroborating Evidence

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