

forgive me?" But Corrie ten boom said she couldn't do it, but then she said she realized she had to do it if she was going to obey Jesus' teaching that we are to forgive those who have injured us. She said she also realized that forgiveness was an act of the will and so she prayed silently, "Jesus, help me!" and she said Jesus did help her. She said she thrust her hand into the one that had been stretched out to her, and, with tears in her eyes, she cried, "I forgive you, brother! With all my heart!", and there they stood, a former guard in Ravensbruck concentration camp and a former prisoner, grasping each other's hands. For a long moment they stood there, and Corrie ten boom said, "I had never known God's love so intensely as I did then."

Corrie ten boom forgave that former guard, that is, she treated him on a personal level just as though he had not offended her, and that is what we must do when someone offends us. We must forgive that person, that is, we must treat that person on a personal level just as though the offense had not been committed.

May the Lord help each of us to do it so that none of us will be an unforgiving Christian!