



Forgiveness offers everything I want - ACIM lesson #122

“What could you want forgiveness cannot give?”

Do you want peace? Forgiveness offers it. Do you want happiness, a quiet mind, a certainty of purpose, and a sense of worth and beauty that transcends the world? Do you want care and safety, and the warmth of sure protection always? Do you want a quietness that cannot be disturbed, a gentleness that can never be hurt, a deep abiding comfort, and a rest so perfect it can never be upset?

All this forgiveness offers you, and more. It sparkles on your eyes as you awake, and gives you joy with which to meet the day. It soothes your forehead while you sleep, and rests upon your eyelids so you see no dreams of fear and evil, malice and attack. And when you wake again, it offers you another day of happiness and peace. All this forgiveness offers you, and more.

Forgiveness lets the veil be lifted up that hides your original face. It lets you recognize the souls of God, and clears your memory of all dead thoughts so that remembrance of your Source can arise across the threshold of your mind. What would you want forgiveness cannot give? What trivial effect or transient promise can hold more hope than what forgiveness brings?

Why would you seek an answer other than the answer that will answer everything? Here is the perfect answer, given to imperfect questions, meaningless requests, halfhearted willingness to hear, and less than halfway diligence and partial trust. Seek no more.

God’s plan for your salvation and the salvation of the world cannot change, nor can it fail. Changelessly it stands before you like an open door, with a warmth and welcome calling from beyond the doorway, bidding you to enter in and make yourself at home, where you belong.

Would you stand outside while all of Heaven waits for you within? Forgive and be forgiven. As you give you will receive.

Today it will be given you to feel the peace forgiveness offers, the joy that the lifting of the veil of ignorance holds out to you.

Before the light you can receive today the world will fade until it disappears, and you can see another world arise you have no words to picture. Now we walk directly into light, and receive the gifts that have been held in store for us since time began, and kept waiting for today.

*Forgiveness offers everything I want.
Today I have accepted this as true.
Today I have received the gifts of God.*