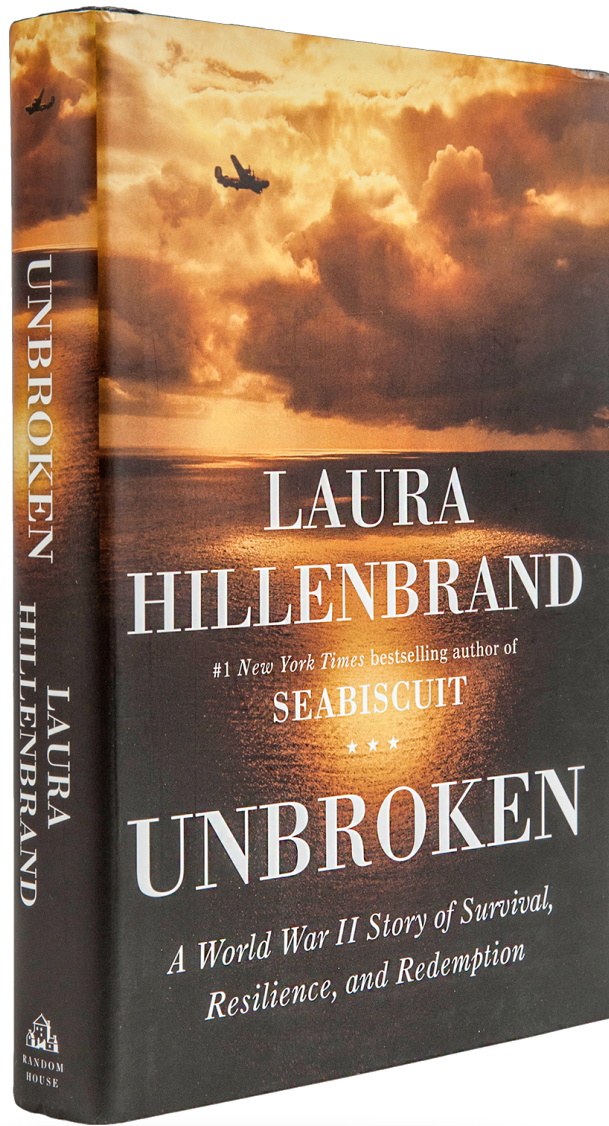
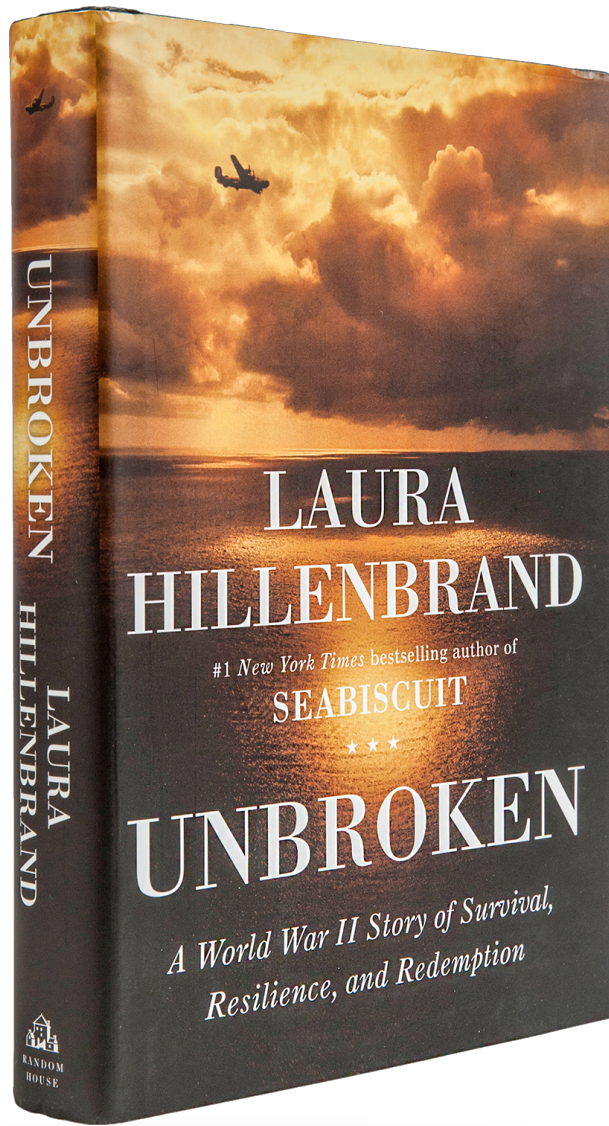


The Life Of Jesus

LUKE 17:1-6



“In the second week of September 1949, an angular young man climbed down from a transcontinental train and stepped into Los Angeles. His remarkably tall blond hair fluttered on the summit of a remarkably tall head, which in turn topped a remarkably tall body. He had a direct gaze, a stern jawline, and a southern sway in his voice, the product of a childhood spent on a North Carolina dairy farm. ***His name was Billy Graham.***” *page 376*



“At that moment,
something shifted
sweetly inside him. It was
forgiveness, beautiful and
effortless and complete.
For Louie Zamperini, the
war was over.” *page 386*

Luke 17:1-6 New International Version

“Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come.

² It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble.



Luke 17:1-6 New International Version

³ So watch
yourselves!

our tendency is to think that this is
primarily an issue for OTHER people!
But Jesus says - but be careful that
your not abusing your influence.

Luke 17:1-6 New International Version

“If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them. ⁴ Even if they sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying ‘I repent,’ you must forgive them.”

Luke 17:1-6 New International Version

⁵ The disciples said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!”

Luke 17:1-6 New International Version

⁶ He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed



Jesus says, “If you have faith”

Faith, in this case, is
trusting and relying on
God’s ability to do
what you could never
do on your own.

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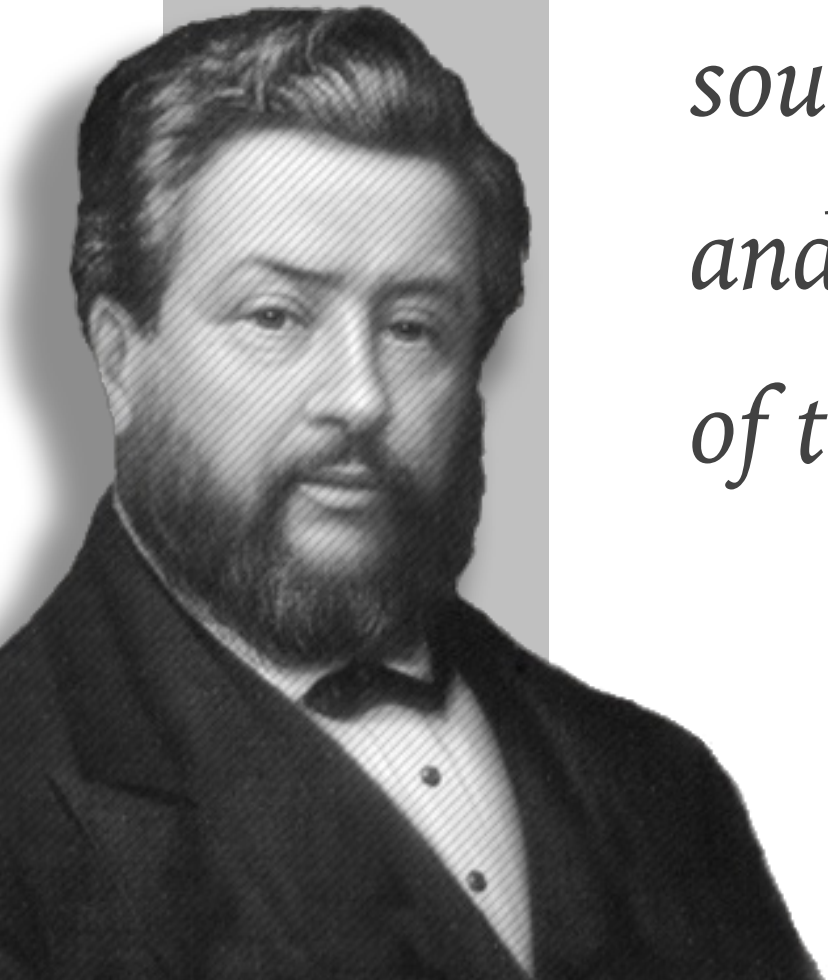
⁶ He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you.



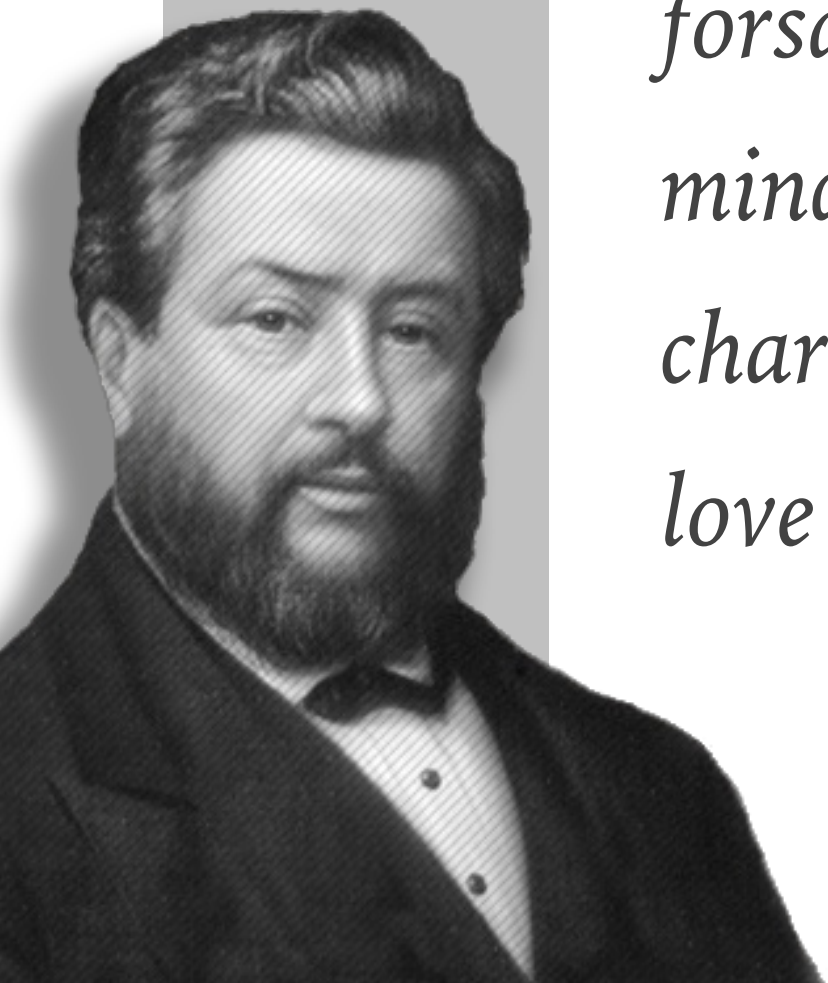
Luke 17:4 “Repent”?

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forgiveness-to-reconciliation/](http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/how-to-move-from-forgiveness-to-reconciliation/)

True repentance is a turning of the heart, as well as the life. It is the giving up of the whole soul to God to be His forever and ever. It is the renunciation of the sins of the heart as well as the crimes of the life.



Charles Spurgeon December 7th, 1856



Repentance is a discovery of the evil of sin, a mourning that we have committed it, a resolution to forsake it. It is, in fact, a change of mind of a very deep and practical character, which makes the man love what once he hated, and hate what once he loved.

Charles Spurgeon
Sermon No. 804 April 5, 1868

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Seven Signs Of Genuine Repentance:

1. Accepts responsibility for his or her actions.
2. Welcomes accountability from others.
3. Terminates the hurtful behavior.
4. Does not have a defensive attitude about being in the wrong.
5. Does not dismiss or downplay the hurtful behavior.
6. Does not resent doubts about their sincerity or the need to demonstrate sincerity—especially in cases involving repeated offenses.
7. Makes restitution where necessary.

Luke 17:3&4 "Forgive"

Four reasons to forgive.

1. Because it won't be long before I'm the one asking for it!

*Romans 3:23 for all have sinned
and fall short of the glory of God*

Matthew 6:12 Forgive us our debts...

Dear Sir: In response to
your article, 'What's
wrong with the world'

I am.

Yours truly,

-G. K. Chesterton.



G.K. Chesterton

Luke 17:3&4 "Forgive"

Four reasons to forgive.

2. Resentment & bitterness are toxic to our soul.

Resentment is believing that you'd be a judge than God... PRIDE- Like we know more than God what ought to happen to others

Ephesians 4:31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger...

Remember: Resentment doesn't fix the problem or the pain.
Resentment makes you say and do foolish thing.
Bitterness is roadblock to reconciliation.

Luke 17:3&4 "Forgive"

Four reasons to forgive.

3. Forgiveness is a key value in God's Kingdom and family.

Luke 17:3 rebuke... repent... forgive!

Luke 6:36 (love your enemies) Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Adopted kid - no dinner dessert anyway.

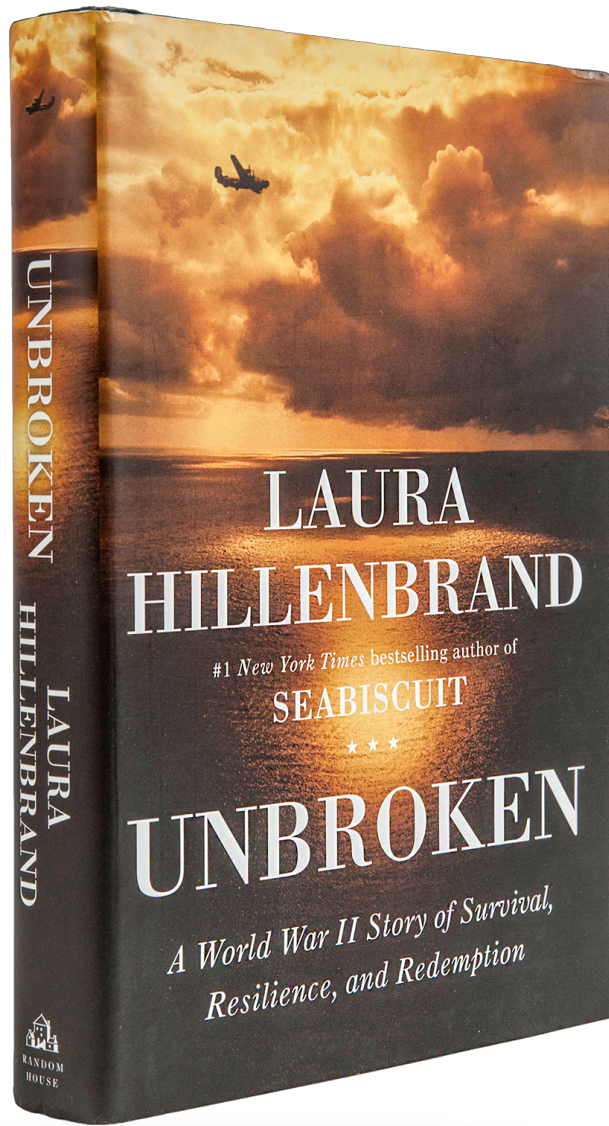
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Four reasons to forgive.

4. Because God has forgiven you.

*Colossians 3:13 Bear with each other
and forgive one another if any of you
has a grievance against someone.*

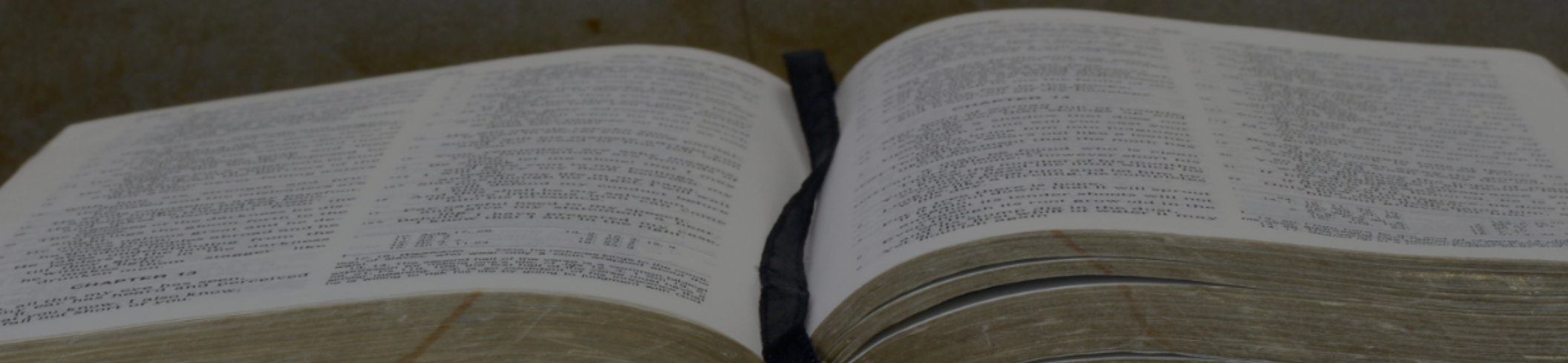
Forgive as the Lord forgave you.



Before Louie left Sugamo, the colonel who was attending him asked Louie's former guards to come forward. In the back of the room, the prisoners stood up and shuffled into the aisle. They moved hesitantly...

Louie was seized by childlike, giddy exuberance. Before he realized what he was doing, he was bounding down the aisle. In bewilderment, the men who had abused him watched him come to them, his hands extended, a radiant smile on his face. *page 386*

1John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."



communion

Do this in
remembrance
of me

