Acts- 7&8- I FORGIVE YOU

(Acts 7:3)

Forgiveness is a faith decision

(Vs. 9-10)

Forgiveness sets you up for favor.

It's always worth it to walk in forgiveness and mercy because one day we will need it! One day you will need to cross the bridge you burnt!

The spirit of murder is the spirit of unforgiveness.

(Genesis 42:5)

- Bitterness: Anger and disappointment at being treated unfairly.

 Deep resentment and sadness because of what someone did.
- Bitterness is a choice
- Bitterness affects your posture
- Getting revenge is digging two graves
- Mercy is a sign of maturity

(Genesis 45:1)

- Forgiveness is a private act. (vs. 2-6)
- Forgiveness is an act of faith.
- You can't move to your destiny when you're still stuck to your history.

(Genesis 50:20) (Acts 7:15)(Vs.51-54)(Acts 8:23)

HOW DO I FORGIVE?

- 1. Remember you've been forgiven
- 2. Reflect on how Jesus forgave
- 3. Recite The Lord's Prayer and pause on the part of forgiveness
- 4. Release the need to see people suffer or pay for it. Release the grip of control to God

Forgives unlocks your freedom! Its a key!

Discussion Questions

- 1. What are excuses we sometimes use to not forgive?
- 2. If you have experienced the freedom forgiveness unlocks, share you story.
- 3. Practice together reading The Lord's prayer and meditate on the forgiveness part.