

# Message Notes



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## King David Big Enough to Forgive

### “The Elephant in the Room”

How could David be a “man after God’s own heart” when he sinned like he did?

David: A forgiving spirit rather than conditional forgiveness

- I will forgive you IF . . . I will forgive you AS SOON AS . . . I will forgive you if you OWN UP . . .
- I will forgive you but don’t expect me to forget
- I’ll forgive you, but just give me more time.

Living in Unforgiveness? \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_

### The Setting

- Shimei – *“A reptile of the royal house of Saul.”* 2 Samuel 16:5-8  
Alexander Whyte (19<sup>th</sup> Century Scottish Theologian)
- “Off with his head!” (Sometimes it feels like a good option . . .)  
2 Samuel 16:9-10
- When you’re in pain don’t lose perspective 2 Samuel 16:11-12
- Even when you do the right thing, sometimes people still throw rocks!  
2 Samuel 16:13-14

### Same Players – Second Scene

The three hardest words to say 2 Samuel 19:16-23

### What are your options when someone seeks forgiveness?

1. Indifference – is \_\_\_\_\_ controlled

*“The worst sin toward our fellow creatures is not to hate them, but to be indifferent to them: that’s the essence of inhumanity.”* George Bernard Shaw

2. Be aware of your \_\_\_\_\_

3. Keep your focus \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ your forgiveness

Live out the “heart of God” as you experience it in Him.