Selected Scriptures re: forgiveness and unforgiveness

Luke 17:3-10 God's minimum requirements to forgive

3Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins cagainst you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. 4And if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times in a day returns [d] to you, saying, 'I repent,' you shall forgive him."5And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."6So the Lord said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. 7And which of you, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down to eat? 8But will he not rather say to him, Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drink'? 9Does he thank that servant because did the things that were commanded [e]him? I think not. 10So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.' " (when we forgive)

Matt 5:23-24 offense/reconciliation

. 23Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Matt 18:35 God wants forgiveness from the heart

"So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother [g]his trespasses." (you will be turned over to the tormentors. See wicked servant story Matt 18:22-34)

Mark 11:25-26 Forgiveness and Prayer

25"And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. 26 d But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses."

Matt 6:14-15 Blessings and consequences forgiveness / unforgiveness

14"For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Matt 18:15-17 Dealing with a Sinning Brother

15"Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. **16**But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that 'by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.' **17**And if he refuses to hear them, tell *it* to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector.

Matt 18:21-22 Forgive up to 70x7

21Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?"

22Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.

God's heart is to forgive after we have given and received forgiveness

Isaiah 43:25

25I, yes I, am He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake and remembers your sins no more.

Isaiah 1:18

Come now, and let us reason together," Says the LORD, "Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow;

Jeremiah 31:33-34

33"But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD. I will put My law in their minds and inscribe it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they will be My people. 34No longer will each man teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquities and will remember their sins no more."