

**Tuesday, Week 4: Mark 11:25**

*“Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.” (NRSV)*

1. Jesus understood human nature. He knew that an unforgiving person is a person who is not at peace. Is there anyone you need to forgive?

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2. Jesus taught that forgiving others is a necessary condition for God to forgive us. How does that thought challenge you?

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3. Christmas carols proclaim that Jesus came to bring “Peace on Earth, good will to men.” But it can be hard to see evidence of peace in a world filled with poverty, strife and chaos. Where do you feel the need for peace in your life today? How might you help give some peace to someone else.

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*Almighty God: Thank you for sending the Prince of Peace into our world. Thank you that Jesus modelled forgiveness of his enemies. Help me to demonstrate the grace, mercy and forgiveness that he did, and so help to bring peace to my world. For I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.*