

Relationships
Forgive Often - Week 2

"When King David heard what had happened, he was very angry. And though Absalom never spoke to Amnon about this, he hated Amnon deeply because of what he had done to his sister." [2 Samuel 13:21-22]

"But the king gave this order: "Absalom may go to his own house, but he must never come into my presence." So Absalom did not see the king." [2 Samuel 14:24]

1. Undealt with pain doesn't just go away.

"And Absalom replied, "Because I wanted you to ask the king why he brought me back from Geshur if he didn't intend to see me. I might as well have stayed there. Let me see the king; if he finds me guilty of anything, then let him kill me."
[2 Samuel 14:32]

"In the same way all seven of Jesse's sons were presented to Samuel. But Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Then Samuel asked, "Are these all the sons you have?" [1 Samuel 16:10,11]

"There is still the youngest," Jesse replied. "But he's out in the fields watching the sheep and goats." [1 Samuel 16:11]

2. Father-wounds have to be healed.

"But when David's oldest brother, Eliab, heard David talking to the men, he was angry." "What are you doing around here anyway?" he demanded. "What about those few sheep you're supposed to be taking care of? I know about your pride and deceit. You just want to see the battle!"

[1 Samuel 17:28]

3. How not to deal with your pain:

- Don't medicate it
- Don't motivate it
- Don't meditate on it

4. How to deal with pain:

- Face it
- Forgive it
- Follow Jesus away from it