

SIGNS OF UNFORGIVENESS

There are definite warning signs when you have not forgiven. One or more of the following may be manifested:

struggling with disobedience to God without gaining consistency in your spiritual growth
having a persistent anger problem, outward or inward
blaming others for your problems
being moody or frequently depressed
suppressing and "stuffing" feelings; minimizing or excusing others' sins
being very superficial in relationships
withdrawing emotionally or physically from others
having negative, ungrateful attitudes toward God, situations and others
gossiping and/or "venting" to others about the offender(s)
sensing God's presence is far from you; fellowship with God is hindered
dwelling on self-pity; feeling victimized
having difficulty forming and maintaining close, meaningful relationships
excusing your sinful responses toward others' offenses
retreating into fantasy to cover the painful realities of others' offenses