

# Become an Artist

The Art of Apology - Part 1- New Life Church  
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**Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT)** *If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.*

## I. God's model of forgiveness.

**Psalm 103:12 (NCV)** *He has taken our sins away from us as far as the east is from west. (take away)*

**Psalm 103:10 (GW)** *He has not treated us as we deserve for our sins or paid us back for our wrongs. (pardoned, no punishment or retaliation)*

**Jeremiah 31:34 (NIV)** *.....I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more. (the barrier is gone in the relationship)*

- A. An offense is committed
- B. An apology is made. 1 John 1:8-10
- C. Forgiveness is granted. Luke 23:34 & Ephesians 4:32
- D. What if they don't apologize? Luke 17:3-4 & Mt. 18:15-16

## II. Expressing Regret.

- A. Make sure your body talks.
- B. Verbalize "why".
- C. Avoid the "but..."
- D. Don't manipulate.