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Forgive us the wrongs we have done, as we forgive the wrongs that others have done to us.
Matthew 6:12

The mercy of God is his loving concern for each one of us. He feels responsible; that is, he desires our wellbeing and he wants to see us happy, full of joy, and peaceful. This is the path which the merciful love of Christians must also travel. As the Father loves, so do his children. Just as he is merciful, so we are called to be merciful to each other. (MV 9)

Jesus told stories to help us understand how God's mercy can be realised in everyday situations. The parables of the Prodigal Son/Forgiving Father, the lost coin and the lost sheep help us to understand God's readiness to forgive sinners. The parable of the unforgiving debtor (Mt 18: 23-35) teaches us that we, too, must forgive.

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