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To Forgive Is Divine

When we think of all the things that need forgiving, we begin to appreciate how vital the spirit of forgiveness is to keep each of us, and all of us together, intact. Forgiveness reveals itself to be not just one possible option for the future but the only viable chance we've got to have a future. The human race must learn to forgive, to practice forgiveness, to choose it, to seek it, to value it, and to want it. That means each of us individually must do the same, because the world begins in the human heart.

—From the Epilogue

To err is human—to forgive divine. But that's a lot easier said than done when our feelings have been hurt or a person we love has been injured emotionally or physically by someone else.

In *The Forgiveness Book: A Catholic Approach*, award-winning authors Alice Camille and Paul Boudreau thoroughly examine what Scripture has to say about those who “trespass against us,” and what it takes to accomplish the difficult act of forgiveness—all from a distinctly Catholic point of view.

The Forgiveness Book asks tough questions and prayerfully investigates issues such as:

- Why should we forgive?
- What to do with sin?
- The importance of Conviction, Confession, Contrition, Compensation and Correction
- How do we accept forgiveness?
- The power of forgiveness
- Forgiveness vs. enabling

The Appendix includes an examination of conscience, prayers of forgiveness, Bible verses on forgiveness, important books on forgiveness, and a list of films that focus on forgiveness.

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The Forgiveness Book

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ALICE CAMILLE has won awards from the Catholic Press Association, Mom's Choice Awards, the Associated Church Press, and the Religion Communicators Council. She is the author of *God's Word Is Alive*, *Invitation to Catholicism*, *Invitation to the Old and New Testaments*, and of the illustrated children's book *Animals of the Bible from A to Z*.

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