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1. Tolerance **ἀνέχομαι** - Middle voice - translates as “suffer” seven times, “bear with” four times, and “endure” twice; to hold one’s self erect and firm.

#### B. How do we show tolerance to difficult Christians?

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2. Do it with gentleness -
3. Do it with patience -

#### C. To what end does toleration work? Ephesians 4:3 — “being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”

1. It preserves unity and peace in the church.

### II. We must continually forgive one another.

#### A. Without the forgiveness of Christ there can be no healing in the church.

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#### B. Definitions:

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#### C. The motivation for practicing continual forgiveness is Christ’s for us.

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### III. Personal healing is possible through the one another’s.

#### A. Spiritual healing come through confession of sins.

**James 5:16** “Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.”

1. Confession heals our relationship with God.
2. Confession heals our relationships with fellow brothers in Christ.
3. Confession allows prayer to work for us.

#### B. Physical healing can take place when we pray for one another.

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1. At church we should be praying for one another.
2. At church healing of all sorts should be taking place.
3. At the church the prayer of the righteous will be effective.
  - a. Someone who habitually is living in obedience to God.

#### **THINK, PRAY AND OBEY:**

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Who do we need to forgive?

What sins do we need to confess to allow healing to come our way?

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