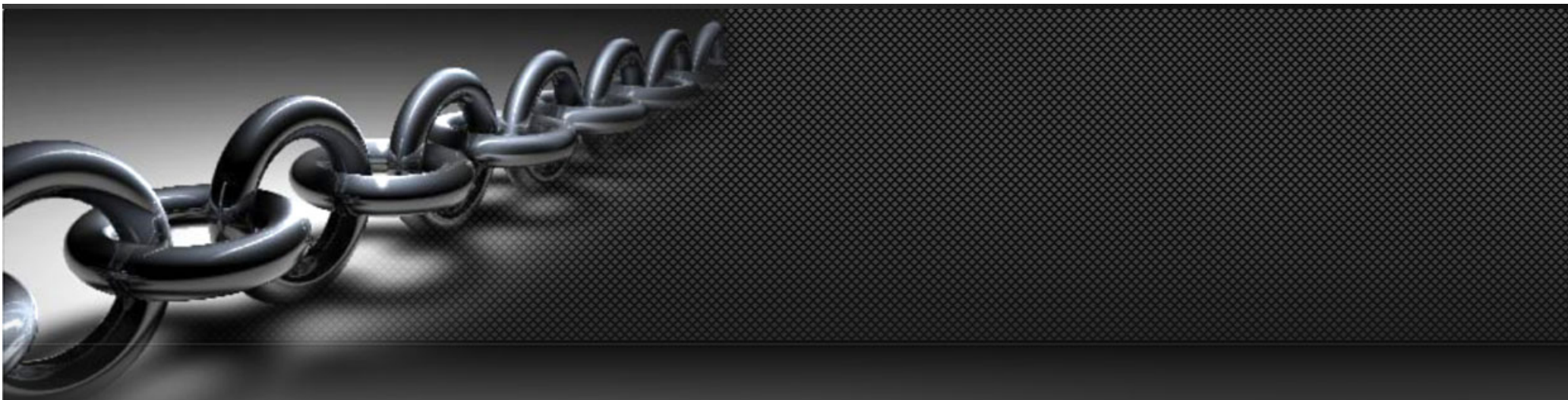


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## Key Point

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## Romans 12

- 17) Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all.
- 18) If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.
- 19) Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, **“VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY, SAYS THE LORD.”**



# Resign Yourself

- 1) They **WON'T GET CAUGHT** or found out
- 2) **NOBODY WILL EVER KNOW** what they did
- 3) They will prosper and be blessed **AS IF THEY HAD DONE NO WRONG**





## Matthew 6

**12)** ... forgive us our debts, **AS WE ALSO HAVE  
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# Matthew 7

**1) JUDGE NOT, THAT YOU BE NOT JUDGED.**



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## Psalm 103

- 11)** For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who  
fear him;
- 12)** **AS FAR AS THE EAST IS FROM THE WEST, SO  
FAR DOES HE REMOVE OUR  
TRANSGRESSIONS FROM US.**



## 7 Steps

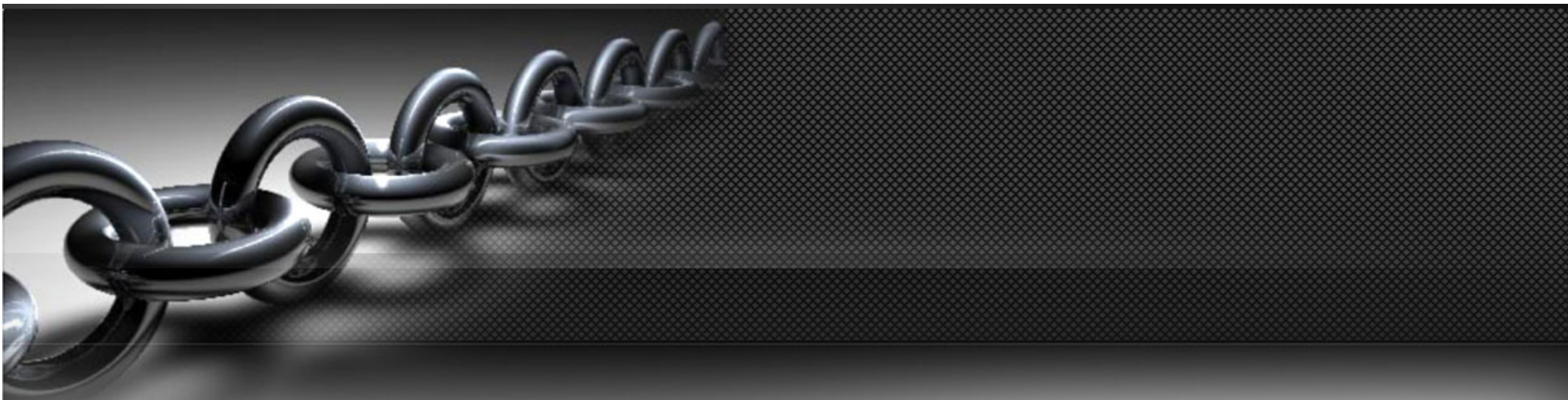
- 1) Choose **NOT TO TELL** anyone what they did
- 2) Be **PLEASANT** to them when around them
- 3) Say something to **FREE THEM FROM GUILT**
- 4) Let them **FEEL GOOD** about themselves
- 5) **PROTECT THEM** from their greatest fear
- 6) Keep forgiving - **FOREVER**
- 7) **PRAY FOR THEM**



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5

- 18)** All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;
- 19)** that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, **NOT COUNTING THEIR TRESPASSES AGAINST THEM**, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.





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