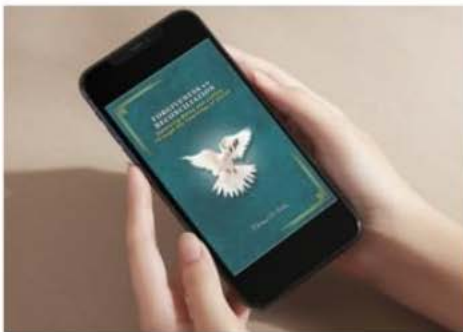
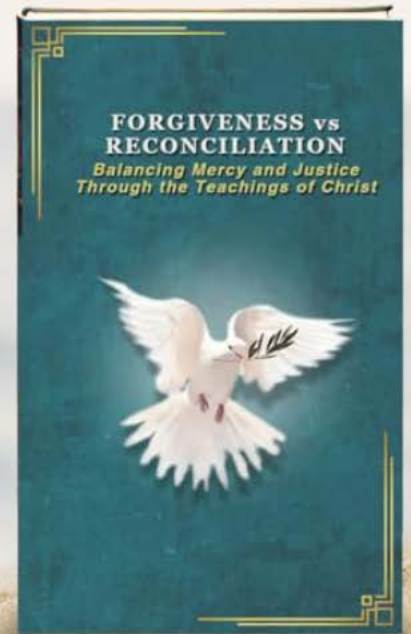


FORGIVENESS vs RECONCILIATION

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“We may need to make the choice to forgive repeatedly when the temptation to ill-feelings and retaliation reoccurs. However, the offender is not a participant in this choice because our disposition, interior act, and subsequent virtuous action of forgiving occur in the private realm of the offended person’s interior.”

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