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Forgiveness

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On July 3rd, 1863, the final day of the Battle of Gettysburg, Lee ordered a massive infantry charge up Cemetery Ridge to dislodge Union positions at the top of the hill. Confederate Major General George Pickett and his division were chosen to lead the charge – which became known as Pickett's Charge. The ill-fated charge was a bloodbath. Pickett's men were easy targets for Union gunners and artillery and suffered a casualty rate of at least fifty percent. Pickett blamed Lee for the massacre and apparently never forgave him – even when Lee was near death.

Most likely in your lives, you've had to make countless decisions on whether or not to forgive someone. In thinking about whether to forgive or not, what criteria do you use? What determines whether or not you decide to forgive? Explain your process in detail below and feel free to give an example.

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