

# Do Not Ask for Forgiveness

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I am not a saintly man who can endlessly turn the other cheek  
Many times, you thought me meek, for I kept tolerating excesses  
While I celebrated your successes, you enjoyed my hardships  
Watched from shore as my humble ship was descended upon by warships  
And now you want to claim that our relations were fair, equal, honest?

I do not harbour ill wishes towards you or anyone who left me alone to suffer  
When I needed your help, you were never there, from pain never a buffer  
Instead I heard a dose of condescending ridicule and patronizing speech  
You drained my energy with your desire to be above me, like a swamp leech  
But I do not wish you harm, nor do I wish you the punishment of karma  
I let God above judge, while of anger I strive to be pure, this is my life dharma

I am indeed a sinful man

I do not feign to pretend that I am without fault  
I have hurt those I loved, locking my emotions in a vault  
Onto my own fresh wounds I spitefully threw salt  
I have made many mistakes, but I admit them with an honest heart  
And if I wronged or hurt you, I offer my remorse through my coarse art

But do not ask me for forgiveness

You show no remorse or internal reform  
I do not see that you feel that you were wrong  
As an opportunist, you assume each situation's necessary form  
A masterful diplomat, always selfishly putting yourself first  
Rather drinking that last drop of water instead of giving it to a man dying of thirst

Oh yes! I have heard that it is my own fault, for they told me so  
"You chose to accept the disrespect, so shut your mouth and away now go"  
But it does not excuse you so, the fact that I am a humble person with a big heart  
No one chooses emotional abuse, not from a friend, stranger, nor family  
It is an anomaly is it not? That it is better to be feared than loved  
The former earns respect; but by latter, a man is into betrayal shoved

**Do not ask for my forgiveness  
For a broken heart cannot feel enough sentiment to forgive  
I simply no longer care of my heart and soul to give  
This is what you wanted, and you reap what you sow  
So please, with this knowledge go forth now, go!  
May you forgive yourself for who you have become**

**With a tired soul, I absolve you of your sins against me  
But from your internal demons I have no power to free thee**

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