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Marital Forgiveness Scale (Dispositional)

Please show the extent to which you agree with the following statements using the rating scale below.

- 1 = Strongly disagree
- 2 = Disagree
- 3 = Mostly disagree
- 4 = Mostly agree
- 5 = Agree
- 6 = Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5 6 When my partner hurts me, I want to see them hurt and miserable

1 2 3 4 5 6 I think about how to even the score when my partner wrongs me

1 2 3 4 5 6 When my partner wrongs me, I just accept their humanness, flaws and failures

1 2 3 4 5 6 I try to live by the motto "Let bygones be bygones" in my marriage.

1 2 3 4 5 6 If my partner treats me unjustly, I think of ways to make them regret what they did."

1 2 3 4 5 6 I am quick to forgive my partner"

Table 3. *Correlations among items used to assess forgiveness dimensions for husbands (above diagonal) and wives (below diagonal)*

Items	1	2	3	4	5	6
1. "... want to see hurt and miserable"	1.00	.47	.39	-.37	-.36	-.30
2. "... think of how to even the score"	.57	1.00	.31	-.35	-.34	-.35
3. "... think of ways to make them regret"	.59	.53	1.00	-.22	-.30	-.23
4. "... just accept partner's humanness, flaws and failures"	-.54	-.29	-.53	1.00	.52	.51
5. "... let bygones be bygones"	-.44	-.26	-.29	.56	1.00	.56
6. "... quick to forgive"	-.53	-.31	-.42	.53	.55	1.00

As suggested by the above correlation matrix this scale yields both positive and negative dimensions.

Cronbach alpha for:

positive dimension, wives = .79, husbands = .78

negative dimension, wives = .81, husbands = .78.