

"FORGIVE AS GOD FORGAVE YOU"

Matthew 18:21-35

INTRODUCTION:

***Shouldn't you forgive others, the same way God has forgiven you? (v. 33)**

How can I forgive what he/she did to me?

- I. **Compare the QUANTITY of sins you are asked to forgive with the great legion of sins God forgave you (v. 21-22)**
"Seventy times seven"

- II. **Compare the MAGNITUDE of sin God forgave you with the trivial sins you are asked to forgive others (v. 23-28)**
"Ten thousand talents (v. 24) . . . a hundred pence" (v. 28)

- III. **Compare the COST of God's forgiveness with the cost of your own forgiveness (v. 27)**
"God gave up His Son for your forgiveness (John 3:16); all you give up is your sin of anger and resentment" (Dr. Jim Binney)

- IV. **Compare the CONSEQUENCES of unforgiveness with the blessings of forgiveness (v. 34-35)**