



**FORGIVEN AND FORGIVING
MATTHEW 18.21-35**

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MATTHEW 6.12-15

¹²and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

¹⁴For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

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²¹Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ²³"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.

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²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'
²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'
³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.
³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.
³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.
³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'

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³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.
³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

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