

**“Forgiven and Forgiving”  
(Matthew 18:21-35)**

Jesus provides some important teaching on forgiveness by answering a question asked by Peter with a parable about an unforgiving servant. This interesting text speaks of the...

**EXPECTATION of Forgiveness (21-22)**

- Calculated Question (21)
- Challenging Reply (22)

**EXAMPLE of Forgiveness (23-30)**

- Forgiveness Granted (23-27)
- Forgiveness Denied (28-30)

**EXHORTATION (Warning) of Forgiveness (31-35)**

- Passionate Response (31-33)
- Painful Results (34-35)

**Take Aways:**

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**Small Group Discussion Guide**

Icebreaker: Share a story from your childhood in which a parent exercised righteous anger and/or compassion toward you.

**Discussion Questions**

1. Share something that impressed you, challenged you, or raised a question from our study of Matthew 18:21-35.
2. How is it possible for us to obey the Lord’s instruction to forgive “seventy times seven”?
3. What does the parable of the unforgiving servant teach us about God’s forgiveness and our forgiveness to one another?
4. Some say that when a person refuses to extend forgiveness, they suffer the most. Do you agree?

**Digging Deeper**

List several reasons that we should be quick to forgive others according to Titus.3:2-7.

What are the dangers of refusing to forgive according to these verses: Matthew 6:12, 14-15? Hebrews 12:14-15? James 2:13?