

The Unforgiving Servant

Matthew 18:21-35

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There was an old adage which said, "I forgave you once, _____, but the third time pays it all!" Jesus had just finished His instruction on church _____ and the humility with which it must be carried out. The rabbis _____ that men were to forgive their neighbors _____ times, but no more. Peter may have been filled with what he thought was great _____, and suggested seven times. This parable teaches two truths: (1) the need of _____ forgiven; (2) the need of _____ others.

A. The Servant's _____ Condition (vv. 24-26)

1. He was _____ in debt.
2. He was helplessly _____.
3. He was under _____.
4. He was an _____ petitioner.

B. The Servant's _____ Lord (v. 27)

1. He had _____ on him. (v. 27)
2. He _____ him.
3. He _____ him.

C. The Servant's _____ Condition Revealed (vv. 28-30)

1. His selfish _____

2. His _____ of compassion
3. His failure to _____ his own need

D. Lessons to Be Learned

1. Our insurmountable _____ debt
2. Good works will never _____ us from the debt.
3. God's _____ and mercy forgives the sinner's debt.
4. True conversion is _____ as we forgive others.
 - a. A truly saved person would never _____ like the one in the story. (Ephesians 4:32)
 - b. If we are _____ the number of times someone has offended us, we have never forgiven in the first place.
 - c. Unforgiving people prove that they have never been _____ of God. It is a _____ issue.
5. The unforgiving will _____ terrible torment.