

I CAN FORGIVE OTHERS

October 27, 2024 // Matthew 18: 21-35

What I Learned

- In **Matthew 18:21-35**, Jesus tells a story about a servant who was forgiven an enormous debt he owed.
- But when that servant was faced with the opportunity to forgive the much smaller debt of a fellow servant, he chose instead to have that servant thrown in prison.
- We learned that Jesus has forgiven us a debt that we could never pay. His
 forgiveness can help motivate us to forgive others.

Get Talking

- God loves us so much and forgives us. We need to allow that love to help us forgive others.
- Take 1 day this week to ask these 2 questions and spend 3 minutes talking about them:
 - When is it hard for you to forgive someone?
 - How can remembering the forgiveness of Jesus help when you don't want to forgive?

Go Deeper

Read Matthew 18:21-35. There is no limit to the number of times God forgives us and that we can forgive others.

- Is it always easy to forgive someone else?
- How can the story Jesus told help us when we have the chance to forgive someone?
- How can we allow God's forgiveness to help us forgive others?

Now What?

Talk to God: When we remember that God has forgiven us so much, it can help us remember to forgive others. Take time to pray and thank God for sending Jesus to make a way for us to be completely forgiven.

God, thank You for loving us so much, You'sent Your Son, Jesus, to take the punishment for our sin and make a way for us to be forgiven. Help us to always remember how much You have forgiven us and let that help us to forgive others. Thank You for loving us! Amen.

Memory Verse

Hebrews 8:12a

This verse gives us hope. We all doing things that are wrong. Wrongdoings or sin means that we choose to do what we think is best instead of following what God says is best. God's Word reminds us that when we make mistakes, we are all forgiven because God sent His son Jesus to take our punishments.