



Matthew 18: 21-35

- 21 Then Peter came and said to Him, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?”
- 22 Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.
- 23 “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves.
- 24 When he had begun to settle *them*, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him.

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- 25 But since he did not have *the means* to repay, his lord commanded him to be sold, along with his wife and children and all that he had, and repayment to be made.
- 26 So the slave fell *to the ground* and prostrated himself before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me and I will repay you everything.’
- 27 And the lord of that slave felt compassion and released him and forgave him the debt.
- 28 But that slave went out and found one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and he seized him and *began to choke him*, saying, ‘Pay back what you owe.’

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- 29 So his fellow slave fell *to the ground* and *began* to plead with him, saying, ‘Have patience with me and I will repay you.’
- 30 But he was unwilling and went and threw him in prison until he should pay back what was owed.
- 31 So when his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were deeply grieved and came and reported to their lord all that had happened.

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- 32 Then summoning him, his lord said to him, ‘You wicked slave, I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.
- 33 Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave, in the same way that I had mercy on you?’
- 34 And his lord, moved with anger, handed him over to the torturers until he should repay all that was owed him.
- 35 My heavenly Father will also do the same to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart.”

A Kingdom Policy

Story

The story is of a king and his servants
In the process of settling the accounts with
his servants, the king cancelled the debt
of the one who owed him a large amount

But that servant was not ready to cancel
the debt of his fellow servant who owed
him a small amount

That made the king angry at him and he
cancelled the previous “cancellation of
debts” of that servant

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Lessons

- ❖ God has already settled an account with us
- ❖ God has certain expectations from us
- ❖ God is thoroughly watching our account settlement with others
- ❖ If we are not behaving according to His expectation, we might have to face the consequences

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