

Title: Unmerciful Servant

Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35

Date Preached: June 27, 2021

DISCUSSION STARTER:

What is one question you would want to know the answer to?

DISCUSSION:

Read the scripture text as a group. If you were unable to worship with us on Sunday, you can watch this week's sermon at <u>my.worthingtoncc.org/listen</u>.

- 1. Why did Peter ask Jesus a question about forgiveness? Why would he suggest seven times?
- 2. What do you think of Jesus' answer to Peter's question? Why did Jesus answer this way?

The unforgiving servant . . .

- 3. Verse 31 states, regarding the lack of his forgiveness, "when the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged." Why does this reaction seem obvious?
- 4. How does this parable help validate Jesus' overall message to Peter's initial question?
- 5. In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus says "forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors." How does this verse relate to this parable? Why is it easier to ask for forgiveness rather than forgiving someone else?

MY NEXT STEP:

Why are we reminded to forgive from the heart? What step do you need to take in forgiveness? Forgiveness from God? Forgiving someone else? Forgiving yourself?

Next Week's Sermon Title: Rich Young Man