

*Parables of Jesus – The Unmerciful Servant*

## **Why Do I Have To Forgive?**

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Matthew 18:21-35 (page 975)

### **3 Outrageous Things...**

**1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the debt the servant owes.**

*“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.”  
Isaiah 6:3*

*“...for all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God...”  
Romans 3:23*

**2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the king to the servant’s situation**

*“The Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin.” Exodus 34:6*

*If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.” Psalm 130: 3-4*

*“You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:6-8*

**3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the servant after his debt is cancelled.**

*“Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven – for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little.”*

*Luke 7:47*

**Spiritual Principle:**

**Forgiven \_\_\_\_\_ forgive \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.”*

*Hebrews 12:15*