

Then Peter came to Him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven! "Therefore, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him. In the process, one of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars. He couldn't pay, so his master ordered that he be sold—along with his wife, his children, and everything he owned—to pay the debt. "But the man fell down before his master and begged him, 'Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.' Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt. "But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment. "His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for a little more time. 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it,' he pleaded. But his creditor wouldn't wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full. "When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him everything that had happened. Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?' Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt. "That's what My heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart. Matthew 18:21-35 (NLT)

## **“FORGIVING OTHERS”**

### **Sunday May 27, 2018**

**Subject: We are going to break down the most critical area of our relationship with a living Holy God.**

#### **A. The Incredible Consequence of Violating This Command**

Matthew 18:33-35

#### **B. Forgiveness (Aphiemi Gr.)**

1. to send away
  - a. to bid going away or depart
    - i. of a husband divorcing his wife
  - b. to send forth, yield up to expire
  - c. to let go, let alone, let be
    - i. to disregard
    - ii. to leave, not to discuss now
2. of teachers, writers and speakers
  - a. to omit, neglect
  - b. to let go, give up a debt, forgive, to remit
  - c. to give up, keep no longer
3. to permit, allow, not to hinder, to give up a thing to a person
4. to leave, go away from one
  - a. in order to go to another place
  - b. to depart from any one
  - c. to depart from one and leave him to himself so that all mutual claims are abandoned
  - d. to desert wrongfully
  - e. to go away leaving something behind
  - f. to leave one by not taking him as a companion
  - g. to leave on dying, leave behind one
  - h. to leave so that what is left may remain, leave remaining
  - i. abandon, leave destitute

**“FORGIVENESS IS NOT AN EMOTION....FORGIVENESS IS AN ACT OF THE WILL, AND THE WILL CAN FUNCTION REGARDLESS OF THE TEMPERATURE OF THE HEART.” Corrie Ten Boom**