

The Character of Christ

A man with short brown hair, wearing a dark blue and white checkered button-down shirt over a white t-shirt, is seated in a church pew. He has his eyes closed and his hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture. The background is slightly blurred, showing other church pews and a white wall. The lighting is soft and natural, suggesting an indoor setting.

Forgiveness

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death,
but the gift of God is eternal life
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Ephesians 4:32

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Colossians 3:13

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked,
“Lord, how many times shall I forgive my
brother or sister who sins against me? Up
to seven times?”

Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven
times, but seventy times seven times.

“Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.

As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him.

Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

“At this the servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back everything.’ The servant’s master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.

“But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him.

‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded.

“His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him,

‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.’

“But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt.

When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

“Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

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