



Sermon Title: Stories of the Kingdom: The Unforgiving Servant
Scripture Reference: Matthew 18:21-36

Connection:

- What do you remember most from last week's sermon?
- How did you hear God's voice or sense His presence this past week?
- What are you looking forward to this month?

Reflection:

- Summarize this week's sermon in one to three sentences. What was the main point of the message?
- What did the message say about you, God's people or the world?

Application:

1. Read Matthew 18:21-35 again. Where do you see yourself most easily in the story right now: the forgiven servant, the fellow servant, the watching servants, or the king—and why?
2. Where are you “keeping score” in a relationship (even subtly)? What would it look like this week to stop counting and start practicing “mercy received becomes mercy given”? **Additional reading:** Colossians 3:12-13
3. The forgiven servant wanted patience (“I’ll pay it all”), but the king gave cancellation. Where do you struggle to receive God’s forgiveness as total cancellation (not probation)? How does that affect the way you treat people who owe you something? **Additional reading:** Psalm 103:8-12
4. What’s the difference between forgiving someone and giving them a “new loan” (trust, access, closeness)? What boundaries might be wise while still forgiving “from the heart”? **Additional reading:** Romans 12:17-21

5. Jesus ends with “from your heart.” What are practical signs that forgiveness has moved from words to the heart (and what are signs it hasn’t)? What’s one next step you can take in the next 7 days?