

The Depths of Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21-35

Understanding the Parable

1. "Therefore" gives us context
2. Picture of us:
 - We need understanding
 - We need mercy
 - We need accountability
3. Picture of God:
 - He understands
 - He's merciful
 - He's just

Kingdom Living – Three E's

1. That which we experience
...we are called to express
2. We live with expectations

Going Deeper

We encourage you to get into God's word this week. Below is a daily reading plan to help you read the Bible each day and learn more about today's message. This short investment of time will pay off huge dividends in your knowledge of God's Word and your relationship with God.

Below each reading is a question or two to reflect on throughout your day. If you are journaling you can write down your response and whatever else you got out of it (e.g. what the Holy Spirit is telling you).

Day 1: Matthew 18:21-35

- Reviewing the sermon text...what is the Holy Spirit saying to you today? Or reminding you of today?

Day 2: Romans 5:1-11

- What things can you draw from this passage that tells you of God's love and forgiveness?

Day 3: Psalms 103:1-12

- Consider these reasons to Praise God today and express it to God all day long.

Day 4: Psalms 32:1-7

- Consider the difference of experiencing God's forgiveness and holding on to your sin (not confessing)?

Day 5: Psalms 51:1-12

- David writes this after being confronted with his sin of adultery and murder. Confess your sin, and make vs. 10-12 your prayer today.

Day 6: Matthew 5:21-26

- Consider how relationships affect sacrifices / gifts to God. Why do you think relationships with each other are so important to God? Do you need to reconcile with someone?

Day 7: Matthew 5:43-48