

The Parable of the
UNMERCIFUL
SERVANT



MATTHEW 18:23-35

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23 "Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.



24 "And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.



25 "But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made.

Matthew 18:23-25

Ten Thousand Talents of Debt

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(source: <http://www.unitconversion.org>)

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DEBT OWED: **\$14,936,308,244.00**



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FORGIVENESS

An act of compassion

A release and forgiveness of debt

What about this expression: "When God forgives, He forgets"?

MATTHEW 18:23-35

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Hebrews 10:17 – "Their sins and their lawless deeds I
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Forgiven Sins Known By God

- Numbers 14:19-22; Deut. 1:25-35; 9:7, 8
- 1 Peter 1:18, 19; 4:3
- Ephesians 2:1-3
- Colossians 1:14; 2:13; 3:5-7
- Titus 3:3

"When God forgives,
He releases!"

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Psalm 79:8 – "Oh, do not **remember** former iniquities **against us!** Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, For we have been brought very low."

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Matthew 18:28-30

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DEBT OWED: 4 months labor

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What The Unmerciful Brings:

- Trouble to the transgressor (18:30)
- Grief to their brethren (18:31)
- Divine wrath (18:32-35)

"So My heavenly Father also will do to you
if each of you, from his heart, does not
forgive his brother his trespasses."

Matthew 18:35

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1. Have I been forgiven by God?
2. Is there someone I need to forgive?