

# NOTES

# Bible Baptist Church BIBLE STUDY

## MIRACLE OF MERCY

*Going Deeper Through Forgiveness*

MATTHEW 18:21-35



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# GOD SPEAKS

**THERE IS GREAT POWER IN FORGIVENESS BOTH FOR THE ONE WHO IS FORGIVEN AND ALSO FOR THE ONE WHO FORGIVES.**

## 1. FORGIVENESS \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to Him and said, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?” <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. *Matthew 18:21-22*

## 2. FORGIVENESS FROM GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>23</sup> Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup> And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup> 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. <sup>26</sup> The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ <sup>27</sup> Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. *Matthew 18:23-27*

## 3. FORGIVENESS FOSTERS \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>35</sup> “So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother <sup>36</sup>his trespasses.” *Matthew 18:35*

# GOD INVITES

When we forgive, we're not only setting others free, but we're also setting ourselves free from the chains of bitterness and resentment. Our God is a God of second chances, a God of mercy, and a God of forgiveness. He forgave us when we were still sinners, and He continues to forgive us each day. If the Creator of the universe can forgive us, who are we to withhold forgiveness from others?

Let's strive to be more like Jesus, showing love and forgiveness even when it's hard. And when we find it difficult, let's remember that we're not doing it in our own strength. We have the Holy Spirit to guide us and give us the grace to forgive. Miracle of Mercy!!!

# DIVING DEEPER

- How does your experience of God's mercy impact your willingness and your ability to forgive others?
- With whom have you or do you struggle to extend forgiveness? How can Jesus' parable motivate you or guide in you that relationship?
- What is one thing you will do this week to extend mercy and forgiveness to another person as you've received it through Christ? How can your small group or others pray for you and support you in this through the coming week?