

Mt 6:12-15

“**12** ...forgive us our debts, **as we also have forgiven** our debtors.

“**13** And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

“**14** For **if** you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. **15** “But **if you do not forgive others**, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.”

Mt 18

21 “**how often** shall my brother sin against me and I **forgive** him?”

- **v4** “Whoever then **humbles himself ...**
- **v6** cause “little one... to stumble ...”!

cmpr 2Co 2:7-11 ... **v7 ... v8 ...**
v9...vv10-11

15-18 “if he listens to you, you have **won/**
gained [NKJV] **your brother** ” **GOAL**

vv10-11...21ff

Mt 18

21-22 “**how often** shall ... I forgive him? ...

Jesus said “up to **seventy times seven**”

“32 I forgave you [10,000 talents] 33 Should you not also have had mercy [100 denarii] ... in the same way that I had mercy on you?

God...us??!

- **Joseph/brothers Gen 50:17-19**
- **Forgive Paul? Ac 26:10 (Ac 9:26-28...?)**
- **Crucify Christ! Lk 23:34 ... Ac 2:38**

Mt 18 Why difficult to forgive?

- **v25 Anger**
- **v28 Vengeance**
- **v21 Pride**

Saved by GRACE! Eph 2:8-9

v35 - Warning after warning...!

Mk 11:25-26; Lk 11:4; Lk 17:4; Jam 2:13

“Forgive”?

X No consequences

Psa 32:5 but 2Sam 12:12-14

X Not “forget”

“Rem. no more” *against them* Ac7:60; 2Co5:19

X Not = “trust”

“Forgive” - **grace; “Trust” - **earned****

✓ What IS entailed Eph 4:31-32; 2Co 2:7

How do you want God to treat YOU?!

Requisites!

Human forgiveness

Repentance Lev 17:3f

Divine forgiveness

Repentance

Relationship with Christ in **baptism** Ac 2:38

Repentance, prayer Ac 8:24; 1Jn 1:9