

LISTENING GUIDE

Matthew 18:21-35

1. My number is _____.
2. Sometimes we want to know when _____ is _____.
3. This servant absolutely could not pay off his _____.
4. This servant is a clear representation of the _____ we once had with _____.
5. Moved by _____ the king erased the debt _____.
6. Moved by _____ God forgave my debt _____.
7. Forgiveness is does not keep a _____.
8. Forgiveness flows from hearts that have been _____.

LIFEGROUPS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

COMPLETE THESE QUESTIONS IN PREPARATION FOR YOUR LIFE GROUP.
BRING THIS SHEET AND A BIBLE WITH YOU TO YOUR LIFE GROUP.



WARM UP

Do you remember in what ways you imitated your parents' actions when you were a young child?

QUICK REVIEW

If pastor had to give an abbreviated version of the sermon from Sunday, what one point would you tell him he must say?

INTO GOD'S WORD

In worship, we heard Ephesians 4:32-5:2, in which we are reminded to forgive each other as God has forgiven us. The section continues to encourage us to imitate our God "as dearly loved children." **How does the picture of little children who imitate their parents serve well as a picture of how we live our lives as redeemed children of God?**

This Sunday's sermon focused on how our forgiveness must flow from God's forgiveness of our debt. This concept is a central aspect of the Christian's life. We pray about it constantly as we pray the Lord's Prayer. Look up **Matthew 6:9-15**, where Jesus teaches us the Lord's prayer.

Does that section of God's Word, along with the Jesus' parable in Matthew 18:21-35 which was the focus of the sermon, change how you think about what you pray in the Lord's Prayer?

INTO MY LIFE

Re-read Ephesians 4:29-5:2, which was the second scripture reading on Sunday. This section centers on our kindness, compassion, and forgiveness with one another. It encourages us to remove some negative actions from our lives, and to bolster some positive actions in our life. **As you consider those two lists, is there an area in which you would like to ask God to help you grow in your ability to carry it out?**

SHARING & PRAYER

Your prayer requests:

