

# Lesson Four:

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant: Matthew 18:21—35 *(P.54-55)*

Did you ever owe something to someone?  
How would you have felt if that debt was just canceled?

## Lesson Questions:

1. Why do you think the first servant canceled the large debt of his debtor?
2. Why should the unmerciful servant have been merciful to his debtor?
3. What does the Lord's Prayer have to say about forgiveness?
4. What debt did Jesus cancel for us and why?
5. Because of this, how does He expect us to act toward others?
6. Do you think the unmerciful servant fully understood the value of the canceled debt?
7. Did he deserve to go to jail?

## Discussion Questions:

1. If each sin you have committed cost you a penny, how much money do you think you would owe? Would it be possible for you to pay your debt off?
2. Is there something that you have done which you think makes you worthy of the cancellation of such a debt?
3. Is there anyone in your life who you have a hard time forgiving? What insight does this story give us to help us forgive people with big debts?

In the next lesson we will also learn about forgiveness. This story will be about a woman who was caught in a sin that many find hard to forgive. Those who committed this sin, according to the law, deserved execution.

# THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GODS.
2. YOU SHALL NOT MISUSE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD.
3. REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY BY KEEPING IT HOLY.
4. HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER THAT IT MAY GO WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY ENJOY LONG LIFE ON EARTH.
5. YOU SHALL NOT MURDER.
6. YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY.
7. YOU SHALL NOT STEAL.
8. YOU SHALL NOT GIVE FALSE TESTIMONY AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR.
9. YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE.
10. YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S WIFE OR HIS WORKERS OR HIS ANIMALS OR ANYTHING THAT BELONGS TO YOUR NEIGHBOR.