



4. Rewrite the command given by Jesus in **V14** as a personal action statement. How does the kingdom view of forgiveness differ from the world's view?
5. Read the following Scripture and make note of a truth about biblical forgiveness:
- **Proverbs 19:11**
  - **Luke 7:44-48**
  - **Luke 17:3-4**
  - **Ephesians 4:32**
6. a) Who is responsible for your forgiveness based on **V14-15** and what consequences do you face if you do not forgive?
- b) How do these verses align with or challenge what you know about the forgiveness Jesus secured for you?
7. a) CHALLENGE: Read **Matthew 18:23-35**, the parable of the *Unmerciful Servant*, in which Jesus illustrates kingdom principles of forgiveness. Describe the actions and motivations of the following people, and note your takeaway from the parable.
- King/Master
  - Servant #1
  - Servant #2
  - Takeaway

b) Take a personal inventory of the debt you owe to a holy God. What does it mean to you that Jesus, your Savior and Redeemer, paid that debt with His blood in place of your own and now your sins are forgiven?

8. In what circumstances are you struggling to forgive another for their sins against you? What are the obstacles to your forgiveness? Ask your group to pray that God would help you move toward forgiveness.

9. **JESUS SAID: FORGIVE AND CONFESS YOUR UNFORGIVENESS**

“Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” **Colossians 3:13**. Jesus commands us to forgive because in doing so we reflect the character of our Father and testify to all that we’ve been forgiven because of Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross. But our salvation does not depend on our imperfect forgiveness. When we recognize our unforgiveness, we can confess it and God will forgive us. Use the below scripture as inspiration to write your own declaration of praise to God for all He has forgiven you by grace through faith in Jesus.

- **Psalm 103:8-10**

- **Isaiah 1:18**

- **Micah 7:18-19**

- **Luke 23:33-34a**

- My Praise

**MEMORY VERSE:** "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." **Ephesians 4:32**

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**PRAYER REQUEST**