

## Parables of Unforgiving Unmerciful Servant

Matthew 18:21-35

Personal offenses is in our power to forgive. If the brother does not repent, he will not be forgiven. The steps to be forgiven:

1. Acknowledge the offense
2. Repent- feel sorry for sin or fault as to be disposed to change one's life for better
3. Ask for forgiveness without attitude, resentment, hesitation, or regret

Once the brother repents the relationship is restored. If the relationship is not to continue, walk away without holding a grudge or anger. Unforgiving hinders spiritual growth and proper development.

*Let's look at the content of the parable:*

18:23- The kingdom of heaven.

- ❖ Servant's (#1) punishment (24-25)
- ❖ Servant (#1) asks for mercy (26)
- ❖ Mercy shown and forgiven to servant (#1) (27)
- ❖ Servant (#1) similar situation (28-29)
- ❖ Servant (#1) unmerciful) response (30)
- ❖ Actions of servant #1 gets back to his lord (31)
- ❖ Penalty for servant (#1) actions (32-35)

Remember:

- To be forgiven, we must forgive

Matthew 18:35. So likewise shall my Heavenly Father do also unto you, if you from your hearts forgive not every one their trespasses right profession.

Profession: acknowledgment; confession; ; to assent that is covenant acknowledge; together, same place or time

Character is in sic with belief. Hear and do what is believed.

1 Timothy 6:12-Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, where unto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before any witnesses.

Hebrews 3:1- Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and. High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus

Hebrews 4:14- Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

Hebrews 10:23-Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful that promised;)

1 John 4:17- Herein is our love made perfect, that we have boldness in the day of judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world.