



# Heart of Mercy

MT. 18:21-35

*"Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times." (Matthew 18:21-22, ESV)*

## Review the Sermon

Read Mt. 18:21-35.

What is the point of Jesus' initial response to Peter's question about limiting forgiveness?

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According to Jesus' illustration, what is the foundation to having a forgiving and merciful heart?

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What are some of the possible consequences to unresolved anger?

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## Assess your Life

Is there anyone in your life or from your past that you have struggled or failed to forgive?

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How has God's forgiveness through the sacrifice of Jesus enabled you to forgive the offenses of others against you?

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What consequences have you experienced from unresolved anger in your life?

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## Apply the Truth

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How can you deepen your appreciation of God's forgiveness of your great debt?

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Is there anyone in your life who has offended you that you could presently choose to show mercy to? (marriage, family, church, work, etc.)

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How can you impact your home, your church, and your community to be more mutually forgiving of each other?

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## Commit this Week

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Will you commit to surrendering your hurts to King Jesus, and taking active steps to let go of the obligation, and show mercy to the person who has caused you harm?

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*"So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart." (Matthew 18:35, ESV)*