

September 13, 2020 LIVESTREAM service, 10:45am

South Joplin Christian Church: Joplin, Missouri

Prelude

Chris Greninger

Take this time to ensure you have your worship items on hand, including a candle and lighter, Bible, Communion elements, and access to the bulletin for lyrics.

Welcome and Introductions

Pastor Colleen

Song of Praise and Lighting the Christ Candle "Standing in the Need of Prayer" CH#579 (Public Domain)

(R) It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

1. Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer...
2. Not the preacher, not the teacher, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer
3. Not my father, not my mother, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer...
4. Not the stranger, not my neighbor, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer...

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Kathryn

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:21-35 (NRSV)

Margie Fitterling

Sermon

"Forgiven"

Pastor Colleen

Communion Hymn "These I Lay Down" CH#391 stz. 1,3,5 sung; 2,4 *spoken* (One License #17334)

♪ Before I take the body of my Lord, before I share his life in bread and wine,
I recognize the sorry things within: these I lay down.

*The words of hope I often failed to give, the prayers of kindness buried by my pride,
the signs of care I argued out of sight: these I lay down.*

♪ The narrowness of vision and of mind, the need for other folk to serve my will,
and every word and silence meant to hurt: these I lay down.

*Of those around in whom I meet my Lord, I ask their pardon and I grant them mine
that every contradiction to Christ's peace might be laid down.*

♪ Lord Jesus Christ, companion at this feast I empty now my heart and stretch my hands
and ask to meet you here in bread and wine which you lay down.

Communion

Margie Fitterling

Give Thanks

Margie Fitterling

Announcements

Pastor Colleen

Mission Challenge

Pastor Kathryn

Closing Song and Changing the Light "Give Me a Clean Heart" CH#515 (One License #83510)

Give me a clean heart so I may serve thee.

Lord, fix my heart so that I may be used by thee.

For I'm not worthy of all these blessings.

Give me a clean heart and I'll follow thee.

(repeat)

Benediction

Pastor Colleen

Postlude

Chris Greninger

Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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POSSESSIONS EVERYTHING DISTRESSED RECKONING TORTURED TOGETHER THOUSAND
SUMMONED REPORTED RELEASED PATIENCE HEAVENLY COMPARED CHILDREN
ACCOUNTS TALENTS SEVENTY SEIZING REFUSED PLEADED PAYMENT ORDERED
KINGDOM HUNDRED GREATLY FORGIVE FORGAVE DENARII BROUGHT BROTHER
ANOTHER AGAINST WISHED WICKED THROAT SLAVES SISTER SETTLE SAYING
REASON PRISON MEMBER HANDED FELLOW FATHER CHURCH PETER MERCY
KNEES JESUS HEART ANGER LORD DEBT

The Unforgiving Servant

Read the parable of the two debtors told by Jesus in Matt 18:23-33 .
Then put the **green** words from the parable into the crossword puzzle.

One of the king's servants owed the king a great deal of money. However, he did not have the money to pay the **king**, so he asked the king to be **patient** and give him more time to repay the **debt**. The king felt bad for his servant and told him he did not have to repay the money. The entire debt was **forgiven**.

Once the **servant** left, he went looking for a worker who owed him a very small amount of money. The **worker** begged him to be patient. But the servant, who had just been forgiven by the king, had this man thrown in **jail**.

When the king heard how unkind his servant had been to the worker, he was angry. He told his servant, "Shame on you for treating your debtor this way, after all I did for you. Now you will go to jail, and you will pay me everything you owed me."

What good lessons we can learn from this **parable**. First, to treat others the way we would like to be treated, and second, to have a **loving** and forgiving heart.



