

**Series: *The 5* (3)**  
**Selah – The Glue to *The 5***  
Matthew 18:21-35  
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John 13:17

Matthew 18:21-22

**(KNOW FORGIVENESS/GRACE) – vv. 23-27**

Matthew 18:23-27 (verse by verse)

- \* Debtor = you; King = God
  - You are the one with the debt that can never be paid.

**\*(Disgracing Grace – vv 28-35)**

Matthew 18:28-35 (verse by verse)

- \* Nothing will cut a swath of destruction across your relationship like unforgiveness. It is the absolute opposite of the life God calls you to live.
  - Hurts other people
  - hurts your testimony
  - hurts your relationship with God

**Struggle With Forgiveness**

1. **“They need to pay.”**
2. **“They will hurt me again.”**
3. **“They need to apologize.”**

Luke 17:3-4

**Definition: a choice to release a person from the debt that resulted when they injured you.**

1. **MAKE THE DECISION**  
Bulletin insert – “I forgive \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.”
2. **GO BACK TO DECISION AS NEEDED**