

The King Who Settles Accounts with Servants 8-25-26

A lesson given to my son from the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit.

Matthew 18:23-35 (CEB Translation)

23 Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.

24 When he began to settle accounts, they brought to him a servant who owed him ten thousand bags of gold.

25 Because the servant didn't have enough to pay it back, the master ordered that he should be sold, along with his wife and children and everything he had, and that the proceeds should be used as payment.

26 But the servant fell down, kneeled before him, and said, 'Please, be patient with me, and I'll pay you back.' 27 The master had compassion on that servant, released him, and forgave the loan.

28 "When that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him one hundred coins.[e] He grabbed him around the throat and said, 'Pay me back what you owe me.'

29 "Then his fellow servant fell down and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I'll pay you back.' 30 But he refused. Instead, he threw him into prison until he paid back his debt.

31 "When his fellow servants saw what happened, they were deeply offended. They came and told their master all that happened.

32 His master called the first servant and said, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you appealed to me.

33 Shouldn't you also have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?'

34 His master was furious and handed him over to the guard responsible for punishing prisoners, until he had paid the whole debt.

35 "My heavenly Father will also do the same to you if you don't forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

In this parable, the king is gone and the servant (debtors) are us (as in humanity). The debt we owe is our sins. So when the King was doing some accounting, the brother or sister was brought before him. Because of the debt he could not pay back (the sins), the king then orders for him to be sold into slavery along with everything he owned including his family.

(Meaning since the wages is death and God is the King in this parable your slavery is sin and you will go to Hell, and the Lake of Fire. Hell if you don't repent.)

But the servant submitted and asked for forgiveness of his debt. (He repented of his sins, accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as is Lord. The key provided for Mercy to be given.) Moved with compassion, the king forgave him of his debt. (Meaning his sins have been forgiven.)

But shortly after the servant left the King, he ran into a fellow servant that owed him a debt. In this case it's material belongings or wealth. He demanded the other pay up or be thrown into jail until the debt was paid. The fellow servant pleaded for forgiveness, saying that he could not pay it now.

Unlike the king, he did not have compassion. He did not forgive his fellow servant. In fact he choked him and threw him to the ground. The servant was put in prison, (actual jail and not hell or the Lake of Fire,) until his debt was paid.

Then his fellow servants saw this and reported it to the King. That wicked servant who showed no forgiveness to his fellow servant was summoned before Him. The King was furious with the servant for He had had compassion on him for his debt, but the servant had none for his fellow servant. He then handed him over to the tortures until he should pay back his debt.

This parable is explaining the importance of forgiveness. Forgiving people that have wronged you is important. As God forgives you of your sins, you must forgive others.

Other verses related

Romans 6:23 The wages that sin pays are death, but God's gift is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 18:21-22

21 Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, how many times should I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Should I forgive as many as seven times?"

22 Jesus said, "Not just seven times, but rather as many as seventy-seven times.

Matthew 6:14-15

14 "If you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

15 But if you don't forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins.