



Prayer and Liturgy

By The Chaplaincy Team

This week's Wednesday Word is...



Let Us Pray...

Prayer:

Dear Lord,
I ask for God's forgiveness and I
want to say to you with all my
heart: I am very sorry.
Amen.

Pope Francis

Matthew 18:21-35

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?” Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.” Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt. “At this the servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back everything.’ The servant’s master took pity on him, cancelled the debt and let him go. “But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. ‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded. “His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.’

But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened. “Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.” THE WORD OF THE LORD.

Peter asked Jesus,
"Lord, how often must I
forgive my brother?"



- How many times does Jesus say we should forgive someone?
- Which words stood out for you in this Gospel, and why?
- See the picture opposite. What does the picture make you think about?

Fill in the missing gap and put your hand up first to answer the question correctly to win either 5hps or a peg raise.

Forgive, should, unforgiving, punished

You _____ always _____ others.

Then the King sent the _____
servant to prison to be _____.

Prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus,

Please let us **forgive** our brothers
and sisters in any way possible.

Thank you for giving us **forgiveness**
as one of the greatest gifts.

Amen.

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Forgiveness does not
change the past, but it
does enlarge the future.

PAUL BOOSE

Southern Living

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When a deep injury is
done to us, we never
recover until we forgive.

ALAN PATON

Southern Living

Thank You!

