## FORGIVENESS

Matthew 18:21-35

Creation

Sin

Wrath

Grace

Mercy

Love

## THE QUESTION

Matthew 18:21-22

# THE KING WHO FORGAVE

Matthew 18:23-27

#### THE CHARACTER OF GOD

"The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation."

- Exodus 34:6-7

#### THE CHARACTER OF GOD

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- 1 John 1:9

# THE SERVANT WHO FORGOT

Matthew 18:28-35

#### THE COMMAND

Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors...For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

- Matthew 6:12, 14-15

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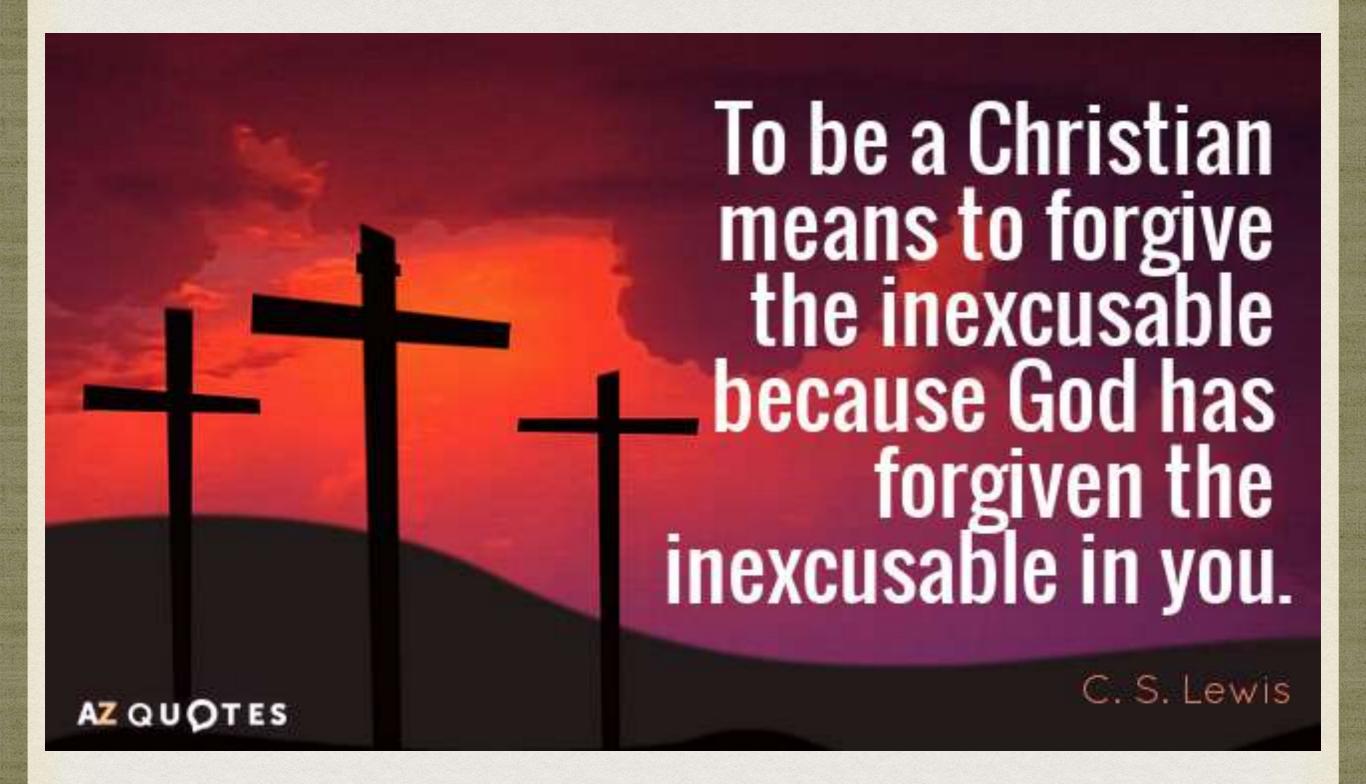
Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven.

- Luke 6:37

#### THE COMMAND

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

- Ephesians 4:32



# FORGIVENESS IS NOT JUST FOR THE GOOD OF THE ONE WE FORGIVE - IT'S FOR OUR OWN GOOD.

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