## PICTURE THIS ... for families



## Unmerciful Servant

(Matthew 18:23-35)

Big Idea: Our receiving forgiveness will be displayed in our forgiving others

Concrete Concepts: King, Servant, Debt, Forgive

- 1. Bring it to life (activities):
- (Pre-K-2nd) Give your child their choice of an extra job they could do around the house or yard. This should be something in addition to regular chores they may have. Tell them what their "wages" would be for completing the job. When they finish the job pay what them you owe them.
- (3rd-6th) Tell your child about a time in your life, preferably a time close to their ages, when you did something that needed to be forgiven. Tell them who forgave you and how it made you feel when you were forgiven. Ask them about a time that they did something wrong and needed to be forgiven by you.



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- 2. Pull it apart (conversation):
- (Pre-K-2nd) Did you like getting paid for your special job?
- (Pre-K-2nd) Would you like to do the job again and NOT get paid?
- (3rd-6th) How would you feel if you lent money to a friend and they would not pay it back?
- (3rd-6th) What do you think forgiveness means?
- 3. Model it (for the adults):
- When did you realize that all your sins are forgiven by God?
- Is there anyone in your life that you are having trouble forgiving? Why do you think?
- How do your children or grandchildren see your ability to forgive others?