DIVINE MERCY

THE PARABLE OF THE UNFORGIVING SERVANT

Matthew 18: 21-35: Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" 22 Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. 23 Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24 And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 25 But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made.

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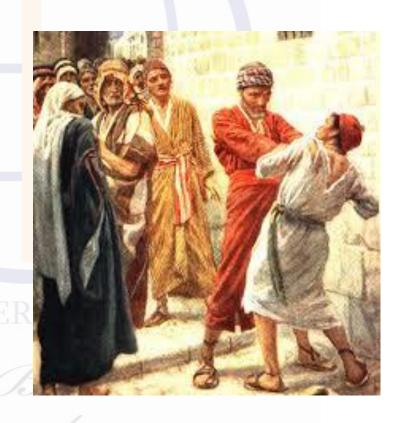
²⁶ The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' 27 Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. 28 "But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' 29 So his fellow servant fell down at his feet[d] and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.'[9] 30 And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. and

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31 So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. ³² Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. 33 Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' 34 And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. 35 "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."[f]

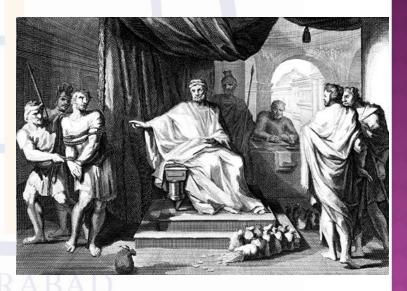
WHY WAS THE SERVANT UNFORGIVING?

- He didn't understand the greatness of the mercy he received
- He didn't experience the divine mercy
- He didn't understand the nature of divine mercy



THE PARABLE OF TALENTS

Matthew 25:14-30: Three men were given talents by their master. The first two received five and two talents which they put to good use and doubled their money. The third man receive one talent. He chose to bury his because he was afraid to lose it. The master called his stewards to account on his return. He applauded the first two but upbraided the third by taking his one talent and giving it to the servant who had ten.



NATURE OF DIVINE MERCY

- It can not be left unshared/unused
- It will increase many folds when it is shared
- If we don't share it or even use it, we will loose it. Like dead sea.



- we can not be unforgiving after receiving divine mercy
- When we extend mercy to others we experience more divine mercy, it will be multiplied
- If we don't use it, we will loose the sense and happiness of divine mercy

Be Blessed and Become a Blessing

