

Questions on Forgiveness Matthew 18

Warm up

- 1) Describe a time when you were deeply moved by someone's forgiveness.

Explore

- 2) Read Matthew 18:15-17 together. In the message, Josh spoke about this progression of actions that is intended to lead to restoration. What stood out to you about this process?
- 3) Read Matthew 18:21-22. Why does Jesus say our forgiveness should be unlimited? Why is that so difficult to pull off?
- 4) Read Matthew 18:23-35. Describe the point Jesus is making with this story.
- 5) In verse 35 Jesus delivers a memorable punchline to the story. What's Jesus communicating?
- 6) Describe some of the consequences that you have experienced when you failed to truly forgive someone.

Apply

- 7) In this week's message, Josh used the story of Joseph to illustrate how we might know if we have truly forgiven someone. One way Joseph demonstrated his forgiveness (see Genesis 50) was to bless his brothers who had hurt him. He was able to do this because he knew that God had brought good from what they intended for harm. Is there a person who has wronged you that you could bless?