

## HOME GROUP QUESTIONS: 4-17-16

## Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21-35

1. Have you ever had to forgive someone you really didn't want to, or just couldn't?
2. John 15:12-13 – What is Jesus' commandment in these verses?
3. Why do we need to be forgiven? Why do we need to forgive others?
4. How does unforgiveness damage relationships? Are you more like the master or the servant when it comes to forgiving someone?
5. Why did the master send the servant to prison after he had forgiven him?
6. Why is forgiveness an act of will or choice? What is grace?
7. Do you notice when you've offended others? How easily are you offended? What if someone has purposely hurt you? Why is it important to forgive them?
8. How did Jesus demonstrate forgiveness? Did his accusers ask for forgiveness first? Did Jesus hold a grudge against us?
9. Does forgiveness mean we have to trust that person? How is forgiveness "unfair"?
10. Why would the enemy want us to hold grudges? How does unforgiveness and resentment separate us from God? How can it impact our health?
11. Why do we sometime feel we're more qualified than God to judge someone? Why is this wrong thinking? What does the Lord mean ... with the same measure that we judge others, so too will we be judged?
12. How can Jesus help you look passed the offense(s) to see what's behind it? How can God help you respond in a Christ-like manner?
13. Is forgiveness a one-time action? How can the depth of the wound impact how many times you need to forgive?
14. Mark 11:25 – Who do you need to forgive?