



Reading This Week:

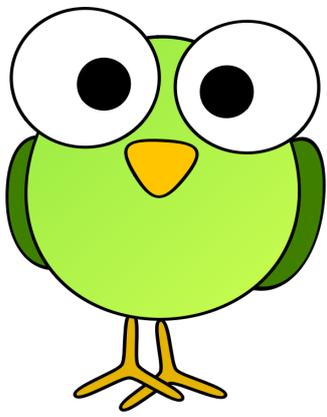
13/9/20 – The parable of the Ungrateful Servant – Matthew 18:23-35

In this story Jesus explains how we should be as generous to other people as God is to us.

23 Jesus said: This story will show you what the kingdom of heaven is like: One day a king decided to call in his managers and ask them to give an account of what they owed him. 24 As he was doing this, one manager was brought in who owed him fifty million silver coins. 25 But he didn't have any money to pay what he owed. The king ordered him to be sold, along with his wife and children and all he owned, in order to pay the debt. 26 The manager fell to his knees and began begging, "Have pity on me, and I will pay you everything I owe!" 27 The king felt sorry for him and let him go free. He even told the manager that he did not have to pay back the money.

28 As the manager was leaving, he happened to meet another servant, who owed him a hundred silver coins. So he grabbed the man by the throat. He started choking him and said, "Pay me what you owe!" 29 The man fell to his knees and began begging, "Have pity on me, and I will pay you back." 30 But the manager refused to have pity. Instead, he went and had the servant put in jail until he could pay what he owed.

31 When some other servants found out what had happened, they felt sorry for the man who had been put in jail. Then they told the king what had happened. 32 The king called the manager back in and said, "You're an evil man! When you begged for mercy, I said you did not have to pay back what you owed me. 33 Don't you think you should show pity to someone else, as I did to you?" 34 The king was so angry that he ordered the manager to be put in prison until he could pay back everything he owed. 35 That is how my Father in heaven will treat you, if you don't forgive other people with all your heart.



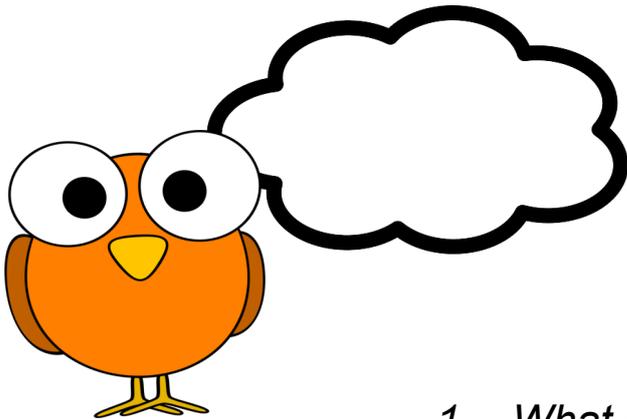
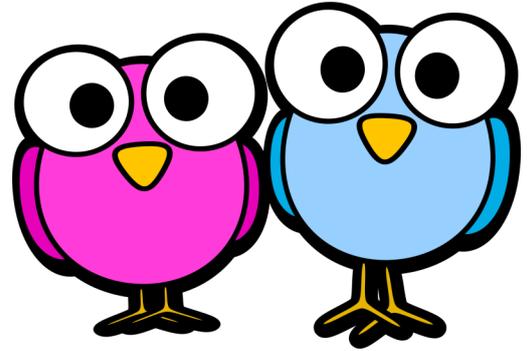
Watch

Watch the story on Youtube– let us know which version you like best!

Create

Have a look at the activity here: <https://www.dltk-kids.com/bible/mwwjd.html>

Maybe even think about creating some coins to help retell the story to your family?



Watch the Family Service video for this week if you can: It's on our Facebook page and YouTube channel!

Reflect

Questions to think about:

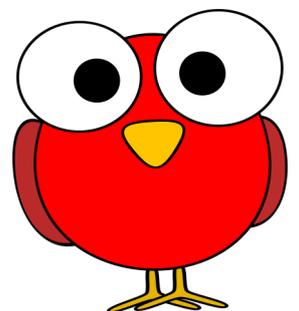
1. *What would you have done if you were the servant?*
2. *Who does the King represent in this story?*
3. *What difference should this story make to how we live our lives?*

Pray

Loving God,
Thank for Jesus and that he was willing to die upon the cross for us.

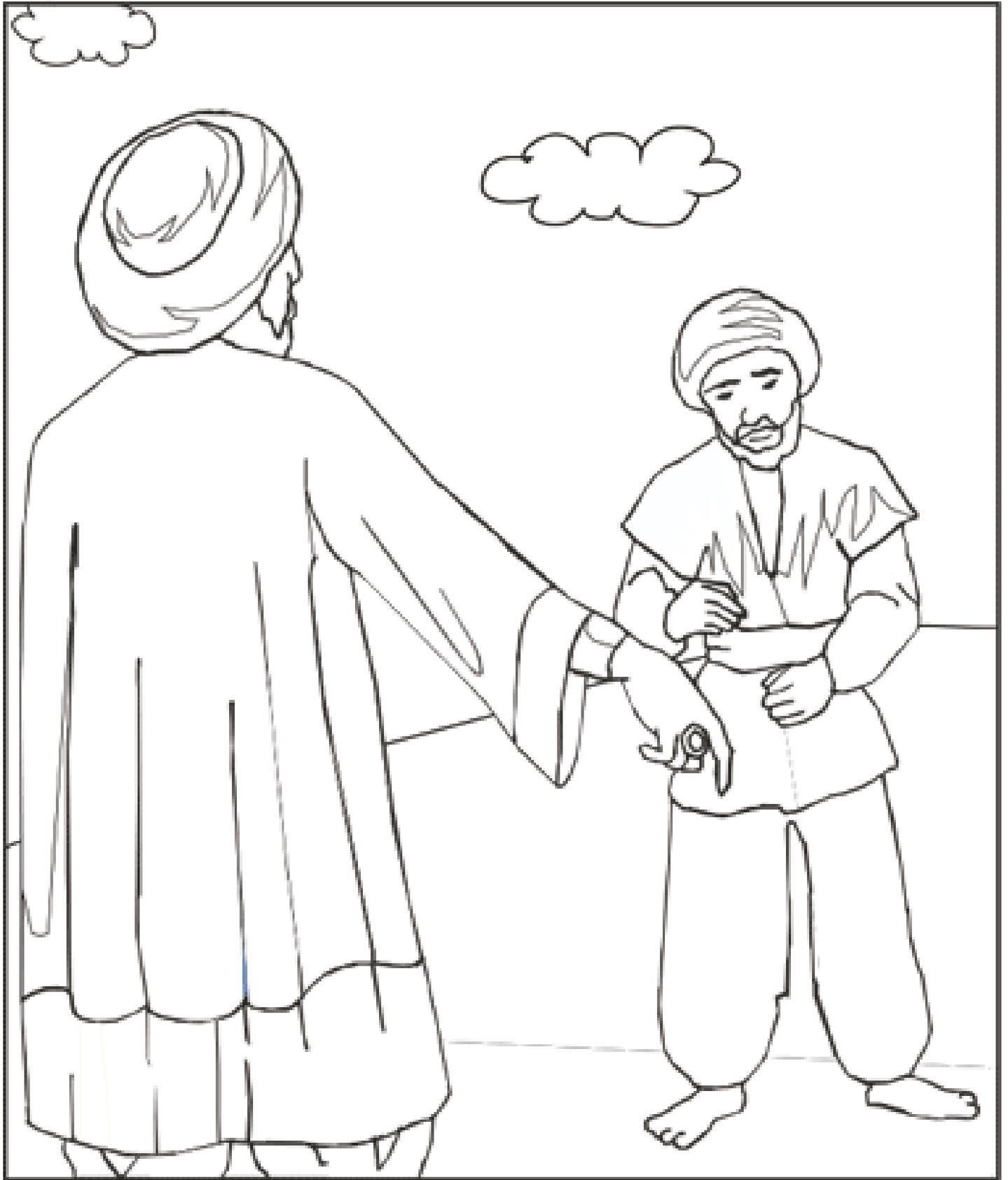
Help us always forgive others as we have been forgiven.

Amen.



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The Unforgiving Servant

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Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

—Matthew 18

Treating Others

Do the multiplication problems in the box to find out the code numbers for each letter.

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant shows us how we should not treat others. But how does Jesus say we should treat others when they sin against us?

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| B | Seven sixes = | ___ |
| E | Nine nines = | ___ |
| F | Eight fours = | ___ |
| G | Five sevens = | ___ |
| H | Five threes = | ___ |
| I | Six fives = | ___ |
| M | Seven nines = | ___ |
| O | Four fours = | ___ |
| R | Eight nines = | ___ |
| T | Seven sevens = | ___ |
| U | Four sixes = | ___ |
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32 16 72 35 30 45 81

20 16 24 72

42 72 16 49 15 81 72

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(Matthew 18:35)