

**“Let Me Tell You a Story About...
FORGIVENESS!”**

What makes for a good story?

Define: Parable

What led up to Jesus telling the story of the “Unmerciful Servant?”

THE QUESTION:

Peter asked the question, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?” What might have been behind his question?

Why does our sinful nature desire Jesus to affirm Peter’s number?

What does Jesus’ answer teach us about forgiveness?

THE STORY:

What is amazing about the size of debt the servant had?

What is amazing about what the Master did with that debt?

What is amazing about what the servant did afterwards?

How did the Master respond? Why?

THE LESSONS:

Jesus said, “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from the heart.” (Mt. 18:35)

Lesson #1: _____

What must I realize about the debt my sin has incurred?

Lesson #2: _____

What must I realize about the mercy of the Lord?

Lesson #3: _____

Define: “Forgiveness”
The Greek:

The English:

What will empower me to forgive as I have been forgiven?