- 9. Pastor Bryan suggests that this entire chapter may be the greatest sermon Jesus ever gave on what subject?
- 10. Why was Peter's concession in v. 21 a very generous one?
- 11. Are Jesus' words in verse 22 to be taken as a wooden literal statement?
- 12. "490" is a figure of speech to say that forgiveness is to be what?
- 13. It is likely that the servants in the story Jesus told were whom?
- 14. If you were to transfer the statement of verse 24 over into today's language and economy, it would be similar to saying what?
- 15. What was the largest denomination of currency in Jesus' day?
- 16. What phrase was used in the Jewish culture to indicate an almost infinite number?
- 17. Even though the servant's motive and intention may have been genuine, his perspective was way beyond what?
- 18. A side teaching from this story is that when we wrong someone or hurt someone, we ought to do what?
- 19. If you wrong someone or hurt someone and go to them in humility there is no guarantee of what?
- 20. What verse in Romans tells us to do everything possible to be reconciled and at peace with people?
- 21. Why did the king forgive the servant of all the debt?

- 22. Are you able to have compassion on people who have wronged you severely and hurt you deeply?
- 23. Who does the king in this story represent? Who does the first servant represent?
- 24. What word should we not miss in Colossians 2:13?
- 25. A hundred denarii was equivalent to approximately what?
- 26. Was this debt (described in verse 28) a trivial amount?
- 27. In comparison to the what the first servant owed the king, the debt of the second servant was what?
- 28. Why do we struggle to believe that our offenses against God are so much greater than anything anyone has ever done to us?
- 29. Was the request of the second servant more realistic in its possibility?
- 30. Verse 30 (and the whole story) is a picture of what?
- 31. How is the king in the story different than God the Father?
- 32. When we take in all of God's overflowing forgiveness but turn around and refuse to forgive others we are doing what?
- 33. Which is worse: murder, rape, and extortion, or refusing to extend compassion and forgiveness to one who has wronged us?
- 34. God expects us (as part of His family) to do what?
- 35. Is there a contradiction in verse 34 between God's unconditional love for us and His anger against sin?

- 36. What is always abhorrent to God?
- 37. It is very significant that Jesus used the term "torturers" and not what?
- 38. Why is the use of the word "torturers" (instead of "executioners") so significant?
- 39. The servant was to be given to the torturers until he was willing to do what?
- 40. What is a very serious thing to our Lord (as seen today)?
- 41. Is there something you are holding onto from the past?
- 42. Some of the most miserable, tortured people in the world, and in the body of Christ, are those who do what?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- » How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- » How can I accomplish this change?
- » What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) Read Matthew 1:1-19:9
- 2) What are the different views in the church about the subject of divorce and remarriage?
- 3) What is your view? Is divorce allowable in the church? What about getting remarried if you've been divorced?
- (A CD, DVD, video, or cassette tape of this sermon is available. Order forms are located in any of the AV order centers in the church.)

SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN Matthew 18:21-35 (Series #105)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "Seventy Times Seven." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. Have you ever been hurt?
- 2. There are times when we are too sensitive and we get our feelings hurt because of our own what?
- 3. How do you handle it/deal with it when someone wrongs you and hurts you deeply?
- 4. If you brood and stew over the hurt, and coddle, nurse, and feed it, it will do what?
- 5. In the context of our passage to study today, verses 15-20 are concerning what we are supposed to do about what?
- 6. Whose responsibility is it to restore a brother or sister who is in sin?
- 7. When any of us seek to restore a sinning brother or sister, we should do so with what attitude?
- 8. Not only should we go in humility, the story in today's text tells us we should go with an attitude of what?
- **To help protect the quality of recording the sermon, we ask that you quietly turn to the inside of this study guide. Thank you! We appreciate your help.