

tyrone flowers

Opener

Watch: the Tyrone Flowers film yourself, or get together with friends to watch it.

Question: What do you think about the film?

Hear the Bible

Read this yourself or with a group, then discuss questions on next page.

“Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him. Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay his debt.

“The servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back everything.’ The servant’s master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.

“But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii. He grabbed him and began to choke him. ‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded.

“His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.’

“But he refused. Instead he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. When the other servants saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed and went and told their master everything that had happened.

“Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ In anger his master turned him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

“This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart.”

-Jesus, Matthew 18:23-35 (NIV)



Talk about the Bible

What it says

1. What did you like about this reading?

2. What did you not like or find confusing about this story?

What it means

3. What does this story teach about people?

4. What does this story teach about God?

Live and Tell

5. How specifically are you going live out today's discussion?

6. Who will you tell? With whom will you have a spiritual conversation about today's story?

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