

LORD, HELP US FORGIVE

Based on Matthew 18:21–35, Luke 7:41–50

VERSE 1 A king once had a servant who owed him a huge debt
But the king forgave the servant, sent him home, and yet
When a friend who owed the servant a debt that was so small
He begged the servant for mercy, but he got none at all
The king heard all about it and was he ever mad!
He sent the servant to prison and took away all he had
Said he had to stay there till he could pay it all back
'Cause the servant was forgiven, but forgiveness was what he lacked

CHORUS Our debt was satisfied
On the cross when Jesus died
And if we've been forgiven
It's gotta change the way we're livin'
How can we hold a grudge
How can we fail to love
Once we have known what mercy is?
Lord, help us forgive

VERSE 2 Now, Peter came to Jesus because he was so confused
"If my brother keeps on sinning against me what should I do?
I'm trying to be patient, I'm trying to be kind
Do I have to forgive him the same thing seven times?"
Our sins were countless like the sand on the shore
We should be grateful that the Lord, He's not keeping a score
No—His love erased them. They washed away when
He hung and died on the cross and paid the payment

BRIDGE It can be hard to forgive
There's no pretending
But we've been changed by a grace
That's never ending