

What's So Amazing About *grace*?

Sunday, March 3, 2013

Letting Go

- 1) What are some of the wrongs you see and/or have experienced that are hard to forgive?
- 2) Read the story from Matthew 18:21-35. What catches your attention in the story? Which person do you most identify with and what attracts you to this person?
- 3) Have there been times in your life when you have been on the side of not being forgiven for something? In what ways does it still catch you or impact you today?
- 4) Are there people in your life you are holding a grudge against and/or refusing to forgive? Who are they and what are the circumstances? What do you gain by not forgiving them?
- 5) What might it mean for your life, if you were to choose the route of forgiveness?
- 6) Read Psalm 51:1-2, 10-12 (below). What are the implications around forgiveness if we prayed this with sincerity?

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.
²Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit
within me.
Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your
salvation and grant me a willing
spirit, to sustain me.