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Luke 17:1-10

The Humble Servant

1. The warning about offending 17:1-2

Offending guaranteed to happen

A believer could cause others to stumble

An unbeliever could cause others to stumble

The punishment-millstone

Little ones

2. The need for a forgiving spirit 17:3-4

3. The issue of faith 17:5-6

Increase our faith

A mustard seed

Excuses we might make

4. The humble servant 17:7-10

Question #1 – What is the identity of the original audience?

Question #2 – What is the problem question or circumstance that prompted the parable?

Matthew 23:5-7

Question #3 – What is the natural meaning of the parable?

Question #4 – What is the main point of the parable?

Question #5 – What is the actual or intended response of the hearers?

Question #6 – What interpretation did Jesus give the parable?

Concluding statements

We need to be very careful that we do not do or say anything that will cause a weaker believer to fall into sin.

We must be willing to confront and to forgive anyone who might offend us. Remember that we forgive because we are forgiven in Christ.

We must obey what God has commanded us to do rather than to make an excuse that we do not have enough faith to obey.

We must realize that as believers we are called to serve the Lord in humility. We are only doing our duty.

Questions for discussion

1. Why is it so difficult to forgive? What happens when we refuse to forgive?
2. How do you respond to the statement, "I forgive, but I will probably never forget?"
3. What do we learn from the parable of the unworthy servant that should influence our attitude as we serve the Lord?
4. What would be too much for the Lord to ask one of His servants to experience? (1 Corinthians 10:13; John 21:18-22)
5. What have you learned from our study of Luke 17:1-10?
6. Discuss faith and obedience from Luke 17:5-6?