

# Salvation Stories Worth Telling



**EVERY NATION**  
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***RELATIONAL***

***SALVATION***

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**Conflict is  
inevitable in  
relationships, but  
we need to  
always have a  
willing heart to  
forgive others.**

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Ephesians 4:31-32

<sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice.

<sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.



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Romans 5:8

<sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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Matthew 22:37-40

<sup>37</sup> And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

<sup>38</sup> This is the great and first commandment.

<sup>39</sup> And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

<sup>40</sup> On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

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Leviticus 19:18

<sup>18</sup> You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

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### The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant (Matthew 18:21-35)

<sup>23-25</sup> “The kingdom of God is like a king who decided to square accounts with his servants. As he got under way, one servant was brought before him who had run up a debt of a hundred thousand dollars. He couldn’t pay up, so the king ordered the man, along with his wife, children, and goods, to be auctioned off at the slave market.

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<sup>26-27</sup> “The poor wretch threw himself at the king’s feet and begged, ‘Give me a chance and I’ll pay it all back.’ Touched by his plea, the king let him off, erasing the debt.

<sup>28</sup> “The servant was no sooner out of the room when he came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him ten dollars. He seized him by the throat and demanded, ‘Pay up. Now!’



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29-31 “The poor wretch threw himself down and begged, ‘Give me a chance and I’ll pay it all back.’ But he wouldn’t do it. He had him arrested and put in jail until the debt was paid. When the other servants saw this going on, they were outraged and brought a detailed report to the king.

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<sup>32-35</sup> “The king summoned the man and said, ‘You evil servant! I forgave your entire debt when you begged me for mercy. Shouldn’t you be compelled to be merciful to your fellow servant who asked for mercy?’ The king was furious and put the screws to the man until he paid back his entire debt. And that’s exactly what my Father in heaven is going to do to each one of you who doesn’t forgive unconditionally anyone who asks for mercy.”



# 4

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**How do we  
forgive and  
reconcile?**

1. Take the first step.
2. Listen and acknowledge the hurt.
3. Extend grace and forgiveness.
4. Commit to healing.

Always **trust in God's strength**  
throughout the whole process.