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If this last attempt within the (local) church is not resolved, what then? ([Matthew 18:17b](#))

What is meant by the action “to bind” or “to loose”, especially with respect to the reconciliation that is desired in this text? ([Matthew 18:18](#); [Deuteronomy 19:15](#))

By putting this in context of [verse 16](#), what are the two or three asking for in [verses 19-20](#)? (see also [Malachi 3:16](#))

Religious leaders of the time thought that a person should forgive their brother or sister three time for a transgression. ([Yoma 86b](#), [87a](#)) How many time did Jesus say we should forgive our brothers and sisters? ([Matthew 18:22](#); see also [Genesis 4:24](#))

Finally, Jesus tells a parable about a (Gentile) king, his servant, and a fellow servant. How much did the servant owe the king versus how much did the second servant owe the first? ([Matthew 18:23-34](#))

The king forgave the servant his debt, did the servant forgive his fellow servant his debt? ([Matthew 18:28-30](#))

What was the king’s response when he found out the servant had persecuted the fellow servant for the little he owed? ([Matthew 18:31-34](#))

In the end, what should we do when we are owed some restitution for wrongs to us by our brother and sister? ([Matthew 18:35](#))

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