Jesus tells the story of the forgiving king.

Matthew 18:21-35
One day, Peter asked Jesus, “Lord, how many times should I forgive a person who has been unkind to me?” Jesus answered Peter by telling him a story.

“Once there was a man who worked for a king. This man had asked the king for lots and lots of money. The man promised to pay it all back. One day the king told this man, ‘Pay back all the money you borrowed from me!’

“The king called his servants and said, ‘Sell everything this man has. I will take that money to pay what he owes me!’

“The man got down on his knees in front of the king. ‘No! No!’ he cried. ‘Please wait! I promise to pay you back all the money I owe you!’

“The king felt sorry for the man. He said, ‘Get up. I forgive you. You do not have to pay back any money you owed me!’

“The man was very happy! On his way home from talking to the king, he saw a friend of his. This friend had borrowed a little money from him. The man grabbed his friend. He shouted, ‘Give me back all my money!’

“This man did not have the money. He could not pay you back from me. Pay me right now!’ But the king told this man, ‘Pay back all the money you borrowed from me. The man promised to pay all back. One day the king told this man, ‘You do not have to pay back any money!’

“When Jesus finished the story, He said, ‘God wants you to ALWAYs forgive other people, even when they have been unkind to you.’

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