

**“For you
were
bought at
a price”**

1 Cor. 6:20



A Debtor or a Creditor?



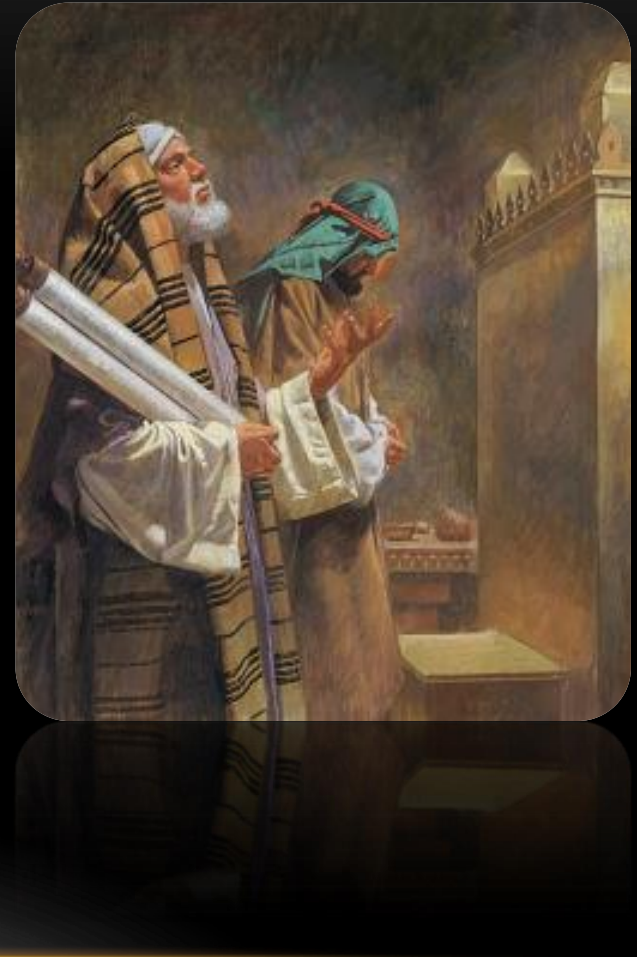
Examples of a creditor ⁽¹⁾

1. The lost son and his older brother:
 - “Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.” **Luke 15:12**
 - “Lo, these many years I have been serving you” **Luke 15:29**



Examples of a creditor ⁽²⁾

2. The wicked servant in the Parable of the Unforgiving Servant
3. The Pharisee in the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector



The mindset of a creditor ⁽¹⁾

1. A sense of entitlement with God and with others
2. Spirit of complaining and dissatisfaction
3. Inability to forgive



The mindset of a creditor ⁽²⁾

- 4. A dominant mood of anger
- 5. A distorted understanding of rights and duties



A debtor... Why ⁽¹⁾

1. In front of the Cross, who would not be a debtor?

“There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty” *Luke 7:41*



A debtor... Why ⁽²⁾

2. In all of our sufferings, we are not charged with what we truly deserve.

“Know therefore that God exacts from you less than your iniquity deserves” *Job 11:6*



A debtor... Why ⁽³⁾

3. The “Grace” granted to us:

- The forgiveness
- The adoption
- The multiple chances
- His Body and His Blood



A debtor... Why ⁽⁴⁾

4. The talents and all what we possess
5. The Church that kept the faith, gave spiritual birth to us, feeds us, teaches and reminds us of the Lord's Salvation



A debtor... Why ⁽⁵⁾

6. The people whom God has granted to us to help us along the way



The mindset of a debtor ⁽¹⁾

1. Sense of perpetual gratitude to God and looking for the means to pay back:

“What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits toward me?” *Psalm 116:112*



The mindset of a debtor ⁽²⁾

2. A strong zeal to serve the Lord
through His children:

“He said to him, ‘Feed My
lambs.’”

John 21:15



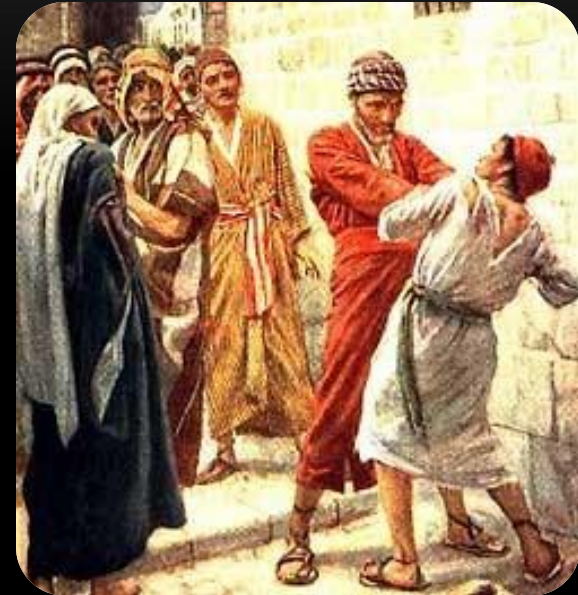
The mindset of a debtor (3)

2. - “I am a debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to wise and to unwise. So, as much as is in me, *I am* ready to preach the gospel to you who are in Rome also” *Romans 1:14-15*



The mindset of a debtor (4)

3. The willingness to forgive:
 - The Parable of the Wicked Servant
4. Worshiping God in spirit and truth: Fasting with Him, giving from what He already gave, ...



The mindset of a debtor ⁽⁶⁾

5. A deep sense of appreciation
for others:

“I thank my God upon every
remembrance of you”

Philippians 1:3

6. Living as a steward



The mindset of a debtor ⁽⁵⁾

7. Surrendering life to the Lord Christ, so He can live through me:

“I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me”

Galatians 2:20



Many Happy Returns!