

The Little Children and Jesus - Mark 10:13-16

Topics: Assumptions, Blessing, Children, Humility, Inadequacy, Kingdom of God/Heaven, Salvation

Open It

- * 1. What's the best thing about being a child?
- 2. How should children be treated differently from adults?
- 3. In what ways do children think differently than adults?

Explore It

- 4. Why were people bringing their children to Jesus? (10:13)
- 5. How did the disciples react to this situation? (10:13)
- * 6. How was Jesus different from the disciples? (10:13-16)
- 7. What about Jesus surprised the disciples in this situation? (10:13-16)
- 8. How did Jesus respond to the disciples sending the children away? (10:14)
- 9. What do Jesus' actions tell us about His attitude toward children? (10:14)
- * 10. What did Jesus want His disciples to do? (10:14)
- 11. Why did Jesus want the children to come to Him? (10:14)
- 12. What unique connection do children have to the kingdom of God? (10:14)
- 13. What can we learn from children about the kingdom of God? (10:15)
- 14. How did Jesus want people to respond to Him? (10:15)
- * 15. How did Jesus treat the children He met? (10:16)

Get It

- 16. What does it mean that "the kingdom of God belongs to such as" little children?
- 17. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God like a little child?
- * 18. What about the behavior of children does God want us to copy?
- * 19. How can we have the same attitude toward God that children had toward Jesus?
- 20. How should we treat children?
- 21. How do you think your church needs to change the way it treats children?
- 22. How can we receive the kingdom of God "like a little child"?
- 23. What does Jesus' display of emotion in this account tell you about Him?
- 24. In what specific ways do you need to change your attitude toward God?

Apply It

- 25. What concrete steps can you take this week to imitate Christ's love and compassion for children?
- * 26. In what concrete way can you depend on God in your day-to-day affairs?