



WEEK 1 – “My Little Children”

INTRODUCTION

We are excited to introduce a new Wednesday night series! God has chosen to call us... “My little **CHILDREN**.” With so many young families and babies being born in our church right now, it seems fitting that we search the Scriptures for what God wants to teach us about the children and ourselves. Tonight, we will begin with an introduction of the Bible truth that is the theme of our study. We will follow in subsequent weeks with the most important truths for teaching and training up children and **ADULTS**! By the way, God knows best! Amen.

1. ***Bible truth on “little children” in the Old Testament***

- ✓ The phrase “*little children*” is found **20** times in the King James Bible – only 4 in the OT.
NOTE The search can be expanded to “*little child*” which includes 9 more verses.
- ✓ The First Mention of “*little children*” is found in **Numbers 16:27**. See also **26:11**.
NOTE The consequences of sin include the entire **FAMILY** – and the little children!
- ✓ The Second Mention of “*little children*” is found in **2 Kings 2:23**.
NOTE This is a difficult passage. Where did these children **LEARN** such rebellion?
- ✓ The Third Mention of “*little children*” is found in **Esther 3:13**.
NOTE Haman’s plan was to KILL all Jews... *young and old, little children and women!*
- ✓ The Fourth Mention of “*little children*” is found in **Ezekiel 9:6**.
NOTE The evil deeds of God’s people bring His **JUDGMENT** impacting little children.

2. ***Bible truth on “little children” in the New Testament***

- ✓ Jesus taught **SPIRITUAL** conversion and becoming as “*little children*” in **Mt 18:2-4**.
- ✓ Jesus Christ focused on and **PRAYED** for the “*little children*” in **Mt 19:13-14**.
- ✓ Jesus said, “**SUFFER** *little children to come unto me.*” **Mt 19:14; Mk 10:14; Lk 18:16**

- ✓ Jesus called **His disciples** “*little children*” before being BETRAYED in **Jn 13:33**.
- ✓ Paul called **believers** “*little children*” as their SPIRITUAL parent in **Gal 4:19**.
- ✓ John called **believers** “*little children*” **9** times in **1 John**.
 - Choose well, and do not **SIN**. **1 John 2:1**
 - Remember, your sins are **FORGIVEN**. **1 John 2:12**
 - You know the heavenly **FATHER**. **1 John 2:13**
 - Be careful, **ANTICHRIST** shall come. **1 John 2:18**
 - Abide in Him and patiently **WAIT**. **1 John 2:28**
 - People will try to **DECEIVE** you. **1 John 3:7**
 - Love people in deed and in **TRUTH**. **1 John 3:18**
 - You are of God and an **OVERCOMER**. **1 John 4:4**
 - Keep yourself from **IDOLS**. **1 John 5:21**

3. **Personal Application**

- ✓ At the moment of salvation, you are a spiritual **BABY** in Jesus Christ. **1Pet 2:2**
- ✓ The word of God was given to help you **GROW UP** in Jesus Christ. **Eph 4:15**
- ✓ Believers who walk carnally after the flesh are called **CHILDISH**. **1Cor 13:11**
- ✓ The church was designed by God to help you and give you a **FAMILY**. **Eph 3:15**

As we search the Scriptures in this Bible study to learn how to train our children, our grandchildren, and the children God brings into our ministry, we will be greatly blessed and challenged in our own personal walk with Jesus Christ to obey Him!