

DIGGING DEEPER

Week 20 | Matthew 18, 19 & 20



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RECAP

We are continuing in our series, *Your Kingdom Come: A Study of the Gospel of Matthew*. In Sunday's message, we focused on passages from Matthew 18, 19 & 20, where Jesus explains how things work in His Kingdom when it comes to money, power and relationships.

ICEBREAKER: It's officially summer! Share any favorite summer memories you have, upcoming summer trips planned or favorite summer foods you love!

SCRIPTURE

KEY PASSAGES: Matthew 18:15-35, 19:16-30 & 20:20-28

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 20:26-28 "Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

DISCUSS

1. Read Matthew 18:15-35. Regarding relationships between one another, how does the world typically operate? Based on Jesus' response and parable, what should characterize our relationships according to the Kingdom of God?
2. Read Matthew 19:16-30. The disciples were so astounded to hear Jesus say how difficult it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom because they believed wealth was a sign of blessing and favor from God. If anyone could be saved, they thought it would be the rich. What does Jesus' encounter with the rich young man reveal to us about how God's Kingdom works? What implications does that have for us today when it comes to our resources and wealth?
3. Read Matthew 20:20-28. When it comes to power, what does it look like in the world compared with what Jesus says it looks like in God's Kingdom? Why is this important for us today? How can you embody the value of service this week?
4. Jesus addressed how to navigate relationships, money and power according to His Kingdom - all of which we tend to struggle with at times. Which one of these stands out to you the most in this season? How can your group pray for you?

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Get Involved: Please be praying for our Kids Camp this week! Summer Blast is happening on our campus Monday through Friday of this week. Please pray for our Kids Ministry team, volunteers, campers and their families. We have a special opportunity to love and minister to these families and share Jesus with every single one! Thanks for partnering with us in prayer. We are expecting God to move in amazing ways!

