

SERMON NOTES

TELL ME ABOUT HIS LOVE FOR CHILDREN

Mark 10:13-16



BIG IDEA: Jesus shows us that children are not a hindrance to his work; they are recipients of God's kingdom, and all who desire to enter it must receive it like a child.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

When you were a child, who did you instinctively run to when you were hurt, afraid, or needed help? What made you trust them?

EXPLORE

Why do you think the disciples rebuked the parents in verse 13? What does their reaction reveal about their understanding of Jesus' mission and the kingdom?

When Jesus says, "To such belongs the kingdom of God," what does he mean? Why does the kingdom belong to the dependent rather than the accomplished?

In verse 15, what does it mean to "receive" the kingdom like a child—and how is that different from earning or achieving it?

APPLY

Where in your life are you tempted to value productivity, influence, or efficiency over people?

What keeps you personally from coming to Jesus like a child—pride, self-reliance, fear of losing control, reputation, hidden sin?

Is there someone in your life you may be unintentionally "hindering" from coming to Christ through coldness, legalism, harshness, or neglect? What needs to change?

COMMIT

Pray this week: "Lord, make me a child before you—and never an obstacle before others."