

Sermon Guide



"The Good Landowner" **October 16th, 2022**

"And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.'"

Matthew 20:1-6

- 1. RD said that the phrase "the Kingdom of God" refers to a place where the rule of Jesus is seen and felt.** What is an example from your own life of a place where the rule of Jesus is seen and felt?
- 2. RD described Jesus as "the hound of Heaven."** When have you experienced Jesus seeking you out when you felt lost?
- 3. The Good Landowner sought out the idle to call them into the vineyard.** Are there any ways that you experience idleness in your life that God might be calling you into His Kingdom purposes? (Note: Sabbath rest and idleness are different; one reflects our need for rest, the other points to a need for better stewardship of time).
- 4. Jesus asks 307 questions throughout the Gospels. He also is asked 187 questions, of which He only answers 3.** In what ways has God not provided you complete clarity in a situation but instead helped you press into His heart and Kingdom?
- 5. Jesus acknowledges that we will suffer in this life.** Yet, the parable of the Good Landowner also reflects that suffering is not the whole story; He is incredibly generous towards us. In what ways do you need to remember God's generosity towards you?

We often talk about taking your next step of faith with Jesus. As you reflect on this week's teaching, what is the next step of faith you'll commit to?