



UNfair Trade

Small Groups Discussion Questions

Week 3: Economy of Grace

Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16/Luke 23:39-43

1. We Like Keeping Score (When We're Winning)

- Read Matthew 20:1-16 aloud.

**Where in life do we tend to keep score and compare ourselves to others?
Why does comparison feel satisfying when we think we're ahead?**

2. Our Fairness Point of View

**The first workers believed they deserved more. What standard or criteria do you personally tend to use to define fairness or justice?
Why does that standard feel right to you?**

3. When Generosity Surprises Us

**Can you describe a time when someone treated you generously when you weren't expecting it?
How did that generosity affect you?**

4. When Grace Upsets the Scoreboard

**Why do we prefer earning to receiving?
Why is it uncomfortable when others receive grace we don't think they deserve?
How does comparison distort the way we see God - and others?**

5. We Are All Last-Minute Hires

**In what ways are we like the workers hired at the end of the day?
What do we actually bring to God that earns salvation?**

6. In the Place of the Thief

• Read Luke 23:39-43.
**The thief had no time to prove himself. He simply asked to be remembered. How does seeing ourselves in his place deepen our understanding of grace?
If salvation is an unfair trade - Jesus gets what we deserve and we get what He deserves - how should we respond?**