

Family Discipleship Devotional (To Be Led by Parent)

Suggested uses: during family devotions, meal time, long family car rides, etc.

Follow-Up to KidsQuest Online November 22, 2020

Truth (Matthew 20:1-15)

In Matthew 20, Jesus told a story about a man and his workers. This man who owned land went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He was going to pay them the regular amount for a day's work, which is a denarius. At 9 o'clock, the owner went out and got more workers, telling them, "I'll pay you what is right." He did this two more times throughout the day because they said no one had hired them. That evening, the owner told the person who was in charge of the workers to call them in to give them their pay. The owner instructed to start with the last ones hired, then go to the first ones. Then to pay them all a full day's work. The first one's hired expected more money to come. This story that Jesus told made it clear that God gives freely to everyone.

Equipping (Discussion questions)

1. How do you think you would have reacted if you saw other workers getting paid exactly what you got paid when they worked less than you?

2. Why did he pay them all the same amount even though they didn't work the same hours? He followed through on his promise to pay those hired first a denarius. He chose to provide the same payment to everyone who worked that day, regardless of the hours they worked. It was his money, and that is what he chose to do with it!

3. Was the first workers' complaint fair or not? They were paid exactly what they were promised. They were jealous and ungrateful.

4. How does this story remind us of God? God cares for his people, providing for them and teaching them.

Accountability

1. What is keeping you from being grateful?

2. Why is it sinful to compare what you have with what other people have? How does that feed an attitude of ingratitude?

3. What are you grateful for today?



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Mission

- 1. Who can I share this truth with?
- 2. How can I use this truth in the way I serve others?

Supplication

- 1. Do you have any prayer requests?
- 2. Do you have any praises?

3. "Dear God, when we feel like life is unfair, help us remember that You are ultimately the One in charge. Nothing happens without You knowing it and being in control. Give us what we need to adjust our attitudes by choosing to be grateful. In Jesus' name, amen."



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