

Session 3- Episode Introduction: Jesus Loves the Little Children

Here we take a detour from the main plot line and witness Jesus camping on the outskirts of Capernaum, where he meets and ministers to a group of children. Here Jesus ministers and teaches about love, prayer, justice, compassion, faith and wisdom. Here we see how Jesus values holding a “child-like” faith attitude, the simple expectations lacking judgement or jaded outlooks is precious and welcomed by Him.

Applicable Scripture

- Luke 18:15-17
- Mark 9:42
- Mark 3:13-19
- Matthew 18:1-4
- Luke 4:16-21
- Luke 18:15-17

Episode Themes

- You are cherished
- Precious in His sight
- Welcomed
- Jesus is our keeper

Episode Review

1. What do you think about Jesus' portrayal? Is it different to see Him as personable?
2. What did Jesus emphasize in His teaching with the children?
3. Any additional comments regarding depictions of Old and New Testament scripture? Notable allusions?

Faith Reflection

4. Do you talk to Jesus as carefree as the children did in the episode? Why or why not? Do you feel Jesus is as receiving toward you as He was the children? What ways could we emulate the children?
5. The Jewish rabbis mistakenly thought the Messiah would be a great military leader when He arrived. How has your understanding of Jesus become more accurate over time?
6. Jesus said in the episode, “Everyone has a much larger job than just their trade.” Do you see yourself as having a “larger job” in this life?
7. In the episode, Jesus challenged the behaviors and ways the Hebrew people treated others. Do you think today's Christians should assess how they are treating others?

Ministry Application

How can we share the excitement and joyous attitude of our Christian faith with others, in what ways can reach other groups of people regardless of age or background?

Prayer

- For resolve in family life, to be an exemplar to younger generations
- For continued and renewed trust in Him to lead you
- Thanks that He reaches people who desire to be reached and changed by Him
- Forgiveness and guidance if holding apprehension or judgement towards Him or other people