

Family Relationships - Children

"... and said, "Truly I say to you, unless you are converted and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven..." Matt. 18:3

- Kingdom of Heaven belongs to them (Matt. 19:14)
 - What is the heart of God for children in His kingdom? (Mark 8:1-3)
 - What were the children doing when Jesus was teaching?
 - What would Jesus interaction be during every day encounters with the children in Nazareth or Capernaum?

- Intense care that the Father has for me (My Father's example for me)
 - Do you still know that I love you? (*When God ran*)
 - Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32)
 - Peter after denying the Lord (Luke 22:54-62, John 21:15-17)

- Vital part of the church family
 - How do we value the children of the church?
 - Glory that children display in fulfilling their calling
 - Obedience to parents in the Lord (Eph. 6:1)
 - Respect for older (Rom. 13:7)

- Examples to:
 - those who are younger
 - those who are older (1 Tim. 4:12)

- Discipline
 - Severity and Kindness (Rom. 11:22)
 - Fear of God (Prov. 9:10)
 - Stealing
 - Lying
 - Respect for Authority/Parents (Matt. 15:4)
 - Examining my heart in the discipline of my children (Num. 20:11)