

10. In verses 15-20 Jesus says that whenever there is sin, conflict or misunderstanding, do what?
11. God wants His children to do what:
12. We ought to extend what kind of forgiveness to other children of God?
13. In Matthew 18:6-9 Jesus warned about how serious it is to cause what?
14. One would be better off to pluck out his eye or cut off his hands and feet then to do what?
15. Not only does God not want His children to be pulled into sin, He doesn't want them to be what?
16. How do you view God's children and how do you relate to them?
17. If God loves His children, with all their faults and flaws and defects and blemishes, we better do what?
18. What is meant by the statement, "...for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven..."?
19. Why should a person beware of despising, belittling, or treating a child of God with contempt?
20. How does Hebrews 1:14 describe angels?
21. How do we know the statement of verse 11 is true (though not in all the ancient Greek manuscripts)?
22. What key words are repeated or stated twice in verse 12?
23. Verses 12-14 is not the Parable of the Lost Sheep; it's the story of what?
24. Why did Jesus tell the story in Luke 15:1-7?
25. In the context of Matthew 18, Jesus is talking about God's care for whom?
26. The little sheep that is lost in Luke 15 is a picture of whom?
27. The little sheep that goes astray in the parable of Matthew 18 is the child of God who has been what?
28. What is ALWAYS essential in determining the meaning of words, phrases, or stories?
29. What is God's heart response when one of His children has strayed?
30. This story is a beautiful picture of God's love, concern, and care for whom?
31. It matters to God when we do what?
32. When God's "little ones" wander, He does what?
33. Why does Jesus use the word "if" in verse 13?
34. Why is the use of the word "lost" (in the NIV) at the end of verse 14 confusing?
35. What can a child of God experience as a result of wandering from the Lord without being willing to be brought back?

36. Does the word “perish” (v.14) mean a child of God can lose His salvation? Explain.

37. Scripture tells us that those whom God loves He does what to?

38. Where do we see examples of God’s children losing their lives because of disobedience?

39. We should understand the end of verse 14 as a reference to what?

40. What is your attitude toward God’s children? How do you relate to other Christians? How do you treat them or talk about them?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

»»How can I accomplish this change?

»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) **Read Matthew 1:1-18:14**
- 2) **What are some passages where we see God placing an emphasis upon personal holiness?**
- 3) **Why do you think Matthew 18:15-20 is virtually ignored in the church today?**
- 4) **How many commands are found in Matthew 18:15-17?**
- 5) **Outline the process of church restoration as found in this passage (Matthew 18:15-20).**

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GOD’S LOVE FOR HIS LITTLE ONES

Matthew 18:10-14

(Series #103)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon “**God’s Love For His Little Ones**” All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. It is important for us to understand Scripture in detail because every phrase and every word of Scripture is what?
2. At one point Jesus based His argument for a truth on the tense of what?
3. It is important that in our pursuit of the details we don’t do what?
4. Some commentaries believe that Jesus is referring to whom when He uses the phrase “little ones”?
5. Other commentaries believe Jesus is referring, not to literal children, but to whom?
6. It is probable that Jesus has which group in mind?
7. In verses 1-4, Jesus is emphasizing the importance of what?
8. Matthew 18 fits together as maybe the greatest sermon Jesus ever gave on what?
9. The only way into the kingdom or the family of God is to do what?

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