

10. The rich young ruler of Matthew 19 was more committed to what, than to having eternal life?
11. In the story of the rich young ruler, Jesus was **NOT** teaching salvation by what?
12. Why did Jesus tell the rich young ruler to sell everything and give it to the poor?
13. What had the disciples, except for Judas, done in contrast to the rich young ruler?
14. In 1st century Israel what was a typical workday (hour-wise) during the harvest?
15. What was a fair wage for a full day of work?
16. What kind of reputation did the landowner in the story have?
17. In this parable when/what time of day was the last group of day laborers hired to go work?
18. Is the last phrase of verse 8 significant to understanding the parable?
19. If you want to get a good read on the condition of your spiritual heart, put yourself in whose position in this story?
20. What is wrong with the perspective that the first workers had when they saw the workers who started later receiving a denarius?
21. How did the “first workers” respond?
22. Complaining, grumbling, and griping is a common response of people who believe they have a sense of what?
23. The first group of workers were not thinking about things from a standpoint of just and agreeable, but from what viewpoint?
24. The first group was upset that the others were what?
25. The 1st workers were focused on what others received when they should have been doing what?
26. Do you compare yourself to others and feel cheated?
27. The landowner was not harsh in his response but addressed the worker as a what?
28. What is meant by the phrase, “...is your eye evil (or) envious”?
29. Jesus is trying to address our problem with what things in this parable:
 - a. J _____ and E _____
 - b. Our tendency to embrace a sense of _____
 - c. Our attitudes when we think _____ is owed us
 - d. The wrongness of our hearts when we _____ others to whom He is good.
30. Does this “nail” you?
31. Reward from the Lord is NOT going to be based on the amount of work done but rather upon what?
32. Are you faithful to what the Lord has given you to do?

33. We are reminded that God will sovereignly determine what?

34. This parable reminds us of the ultimate equality of what?

35. It is not fair that the thief on the cross and the Apostle John will equally enjoy the blessings of heaven. It is not fair, but what?

36. Do you know Jesus Christ? Have you embraced His exceeding generosity, goodness, and graciousness?

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 19:1-20:28

2) What are the many expressions of pride? Where do you see pride in your own life?

3) Is pride really that serious of an issue?

4) How should one deal with pride in his/her life?

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EXCEEDING GENEROSITY

Matthew 20:1-16

(Series #112)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon “**Exceeding Generosity**”. 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. What is one of the curses or down sides to living in the U.S.?

2. This amazing sense of entitlement comes out in what?

3. The scary thing about the sense of entitlement is how much this same attitude has infiltrated what?

4. It is very easy to assume what about life, our employer, the government, or God?

5. What does God owe us?

6. Do we really want what we deserve?

7. None of us really want justice (if we understand what that would mean). We want what?

8. If our mind-set is wrong we can easily have the skewed perspective that God is not what?

9. A basic Bible study rule is “Whenever you see a “for” or a “therefore,” stop to see what?”

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