

JESUS CAME TO SERVE AND TO GIVE

Matthew 20:1-34

Key Verse: 20:28

1. Read verses 1-2. What is the theme of this a parable? What did the landowner do early in the morning? What did he agree to pay his workers? Read verses 3-8. At what other times did he employ workers? What was his agreement with the other groups?
2. Read verses 8-12. When and how did he pay them all? Why were the ones hired first dissatisfied? Read verses 13-16. How did the owner explain? What is his right as the owner? What was Jesus teaching about the kingdom in this passage?
3. Read verses 17-19. What did Jesus again teach his disciples as he neared Jerusalem? When had he told them this before? Why is it important that he taught this?
4. Read verses 20-23. What request did the mother of James and John make of Jesus? For what did she think she was asking? What was his response and question? Their answer? His promise? Why could he not grant their request?
5. Read verses 24-28. Why were the ten indignant? What is the world's view of greatness and authority? How is Jesus' view of greatness different? How should authority and power be exercised? What is Jesus' example?
6. Read verses 29-34. What happened as Jesus was leaving Jericho? What did the blind men know about Jesus? Why did the crowd rebuke them? Why did Jesus accept them? What did he ask? What did they want? How did he respond? What should disciples learn from them?