

## THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND CHILDREN

Mark 10:13-31

Key Verse: 10:15

"I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."

### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read verse 13. What had Jesus and the Pharisees been talking about? (10:1-10) Why did people want Jesus to touch and bless their children? Why did the disciples rebuke the people?
2. Read verses 14-16. What was the difference in Jesus' view of the children and that of the disciples? What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God like a child? How did the children receive Jesus and how did he receive them?
3. Read verses 17-20. What kind of man was the young man who ran up and knelt before Jesus? What did Jesus teach him about God? About mankind?
4. Read verses 21-22. How did Jesus show his love for this young man? Why did the young man refuse Jesus' invitation? Read verses 23-25. Why is it so hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven? How hard is it?
5. Read verses 26-27. Why were the disciples more amazed? How did Jesus answer their questions? Why must we trust Jesus and have pure hearts?
6. Read verses 28-31. What did Jesus promise Peter and all believers? How does his promise strengthen us to have pure hearts and trust in Jesus?