

Sermon Study Questions

July 17, 2022

1. Read Matthew 20:1-16
2. What is the main point of this parable, and how can you deduce it?
3. Who is Jesus referring to when He says the first will be last and the last will be first? What does He mean by saying the first will be last and the last will be first?
4. What is the point Jesus is making in the parable by paying all the workers the same wage at the end of their workday?
5. The focus in the parable is on the interaction between the first workers who were hired and the lord of the house, as they were disgruntled by the fact that those who contributed so little to the well-being of the vineyard are getting equal pay with those who labored long and hard in the vineyard. Why is it that learning more about the Lord is the key to overcoming those disgruntled feelings that can rise up in our hearts towards Him as happened with these workers?
6. In what way does knowing the Lord always keeps His word help guard us from being disgruntled against Him?
7. How does knowing the Lord is sovereign, that He “does what He wants with what is His” bring comfort and encouragement to you? Think about it in relation to His character as revealed in Scripture and redemption.
8. Why is it so important to know that the Lord is a God who is extremely generous in His mercy? How does this impact the way you view yourself and other believers?
9. What practical application can you make from this text/sermon?
10. Pray!