



Fall 2018 Series – Christianity Explored – November 4

Message: Grace: How can God accept us?

Scripture: Mark 10:13-31

Weekly Reading: Mark 14:1-72

Live by faith in Christ daily as a “child of God.”

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is so clear that even a child can believe.

Mark 10:13-16

- Parents are to bring their children to Jesus.
- Total dependence on Jesus.
- “Faith like a child”

Five Kinds of People you will face in this life.

- Wise/Godly – relationship with Jesus Christ. Titus 2:12; 2 Peter 1:3
- Religious – rules/rituals – Pharisees, teachers of the law
- Good – rules – self-help/comparison. Mark 10:18; Prov 13:22; Good Citizen
- Fools – Ps 53:1; Prov 1:7; 12:15; 14:7; 18:2; 26:11-12
- Evil – Luke 6:45; Mark 7:21-22 “Bent on Destruction”

The Gospel of Jesus Christ challenges our self-made beliefs. Mark 10:17-31

- Rich, Young, Ruler - Rich, Ruler, Rules, Rugged good looks.
- “Good Boy” but not a “Godly Boy”
- No one is good except God.
- This man young man wanted to know how to be good enough for God.

- “We are more sinful than we ever realized, but more loved than we ever dreamed.”
- V. 21 – Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack.”
- “How hard it is for the _____ to enter into the Kingdom of God.”
- Who can be saved? V. 27
- Salvation is a free gift – paid for by the death and resurrection of Jesus. G.R.A.C.E. Live by faith in the Kingdom of God. God’s rule over his own people.

Life Group Questions

1. Why would people take children to Jesus and why would the disciples rebuke people bringing children to Jesus?
2. Why do we need to come to Jesus by faith like little children?
3. Discuss the five types of people. Who has received grace and who has not?
4. How would you answer the question in Mark 10:17?
5. Grace is when God treats us in the opposite way to what we deserve. Peter disowned Jesus three times (Mark 14:66-72) How do you think Peter felt and responded to the message of Mark 16:7? (John 21:15-19) Why?
6. Grace through Christ helps us to live daily by faith through yielding and obeying the Holy Spirit. How is this different from the way many people try to live the Christian life?
7. Grace was offered both to the rich young ruler and to Peter. Why did Peter accept the grace of Jesus and the young man did not?
8. Have you personally been experiencing and depending the grace of Jesus each day?