

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 18:20

For where two or three come together in
My name, there I am with them.

LIFE OF CHRIST 15-1

Lesson Scripture:

Matthew 17:22-18:35

Mark 9:30-50

Luke 9:44-62

"The Care of His Children"**DAY 1 READ THE LESSON SCRIPTURE**

1. What was the most valuable thing you learned from your own study or the lecture last week?
2. Trace Jesus' travels in the Scriptures for today.
 - a. Where did He begin?
 - b. Where did He pass through?
 - c. Where was He going?

DAY 2 "Paying Tax" REVIEW MATTHEW 17:22-27 (Mark 9:30-32; Luke 9:43b-45)

3. a. What did Jesus say about His coming death?
 - b. The disciples were grieved. What else do we learn in Mark 9:32?
 - c. A formal study is a time to learn. Why are people afraid to ask when they don't understand?
4. When the exiles returned from captivity in the Old Testament, what did they pledge to do according to Nehemiah 10:32?
5. What lesson do you think Jesus was teaching Peter by paying the temple tax?
6. How did Peter get the tax for himself and Jesus?

DAY 3 "Care of the Flock" REVIEW MATTHEW 18:1-14 (Mark 9:33-50; Luke 9:46-50)

7. What question was of concern to the disciples?
8. Jesus used a child as an example. What childlike qualities do you think one needs to come to Jesus?
9. a. What was the basic issue in verses 6-9?
 - b. What was the strong admonition in verse 7?
10. a. In verses 10-14, God's protective attitude is shown in an analogy of what?
 - b. Share your thoughts on how hard the Good Shepherd had to look for you as a lost sheep to bring into the fold.

DAY 3 (Continued) REVIEW MATTHEW 18:1-14 (Mark 9:33-50; Luke 9:46-50)

11. **Turn to Mark 9:38 –**
 - a. What bothered the disciples?
 - b. What was Jesus' response to this?
 - c. Relate a time when you received or shared a "cup of cold water" in Jesus' name. How did you feel? How do you think the other person felt?
12. From Mark 9:50 what do you think it means to "have salt in yourself?"

DAY 4 "Pattern for Church Conduct" REVIEW MATTHEW 18:15-35

13. What was Jesus' four step plan for one who sins against you?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
14. What do you think hinders effective church discipline in today's society?
15. What is God's promise in Matthew 18:19,20?
16. Jesus told Peter to forgive _____.
17. Regarding the parable, match the following numbers to the letters in story order:

a. _____ the master	1. jailed the unmerciful man
b. _____ the merciless man	2. forgave all the servant's debt
c. _____ the master	3. don't expect forgiveness if you're unwilling to forgive
d. _____ the moral	4. demanded full repayment from another
18. Ask yourself if you're a cruel taskmaster or able to forgive from the heart. What does Ephesians 4:32 say about forgiveness?

DAY 5 "Headed Toward Jerusalem" REVIEW LUKE 9:51-62

19. Why did Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem?

20. a. When the Samaritan village rejected Jesus, what was the reaction of James and John?

b. What lesson do you think the Lord has for you in verses 51-56?

21. In Lesson 10 we studied Jesus' response to the first two men as related in Matthew 8:18-22. Please review.
 - a. In Luke 9:61, what did the third man desire to do before following Jesus?

 - b. What was Jesus' answer?

 - c. There is a cost to follow Jesus . . . commitment. How does Paul encourage us in 1 Corinthians 9:25?

22. Are you putting the past and cares behind you? Share what forward progress you've made recently.

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: