"The Kingdom's Pediatric Paradigm"



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Matt. 19:13 ¶ Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them;

Matt. 19:14 but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

Matt. 19:15 And he laid his hands on them and went on his way:



Matt. 18:1 ¶ At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

Matt. 18:2 He called a child, whom he put among them,



Matt. 18:3 and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Matt. 18:4 Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of



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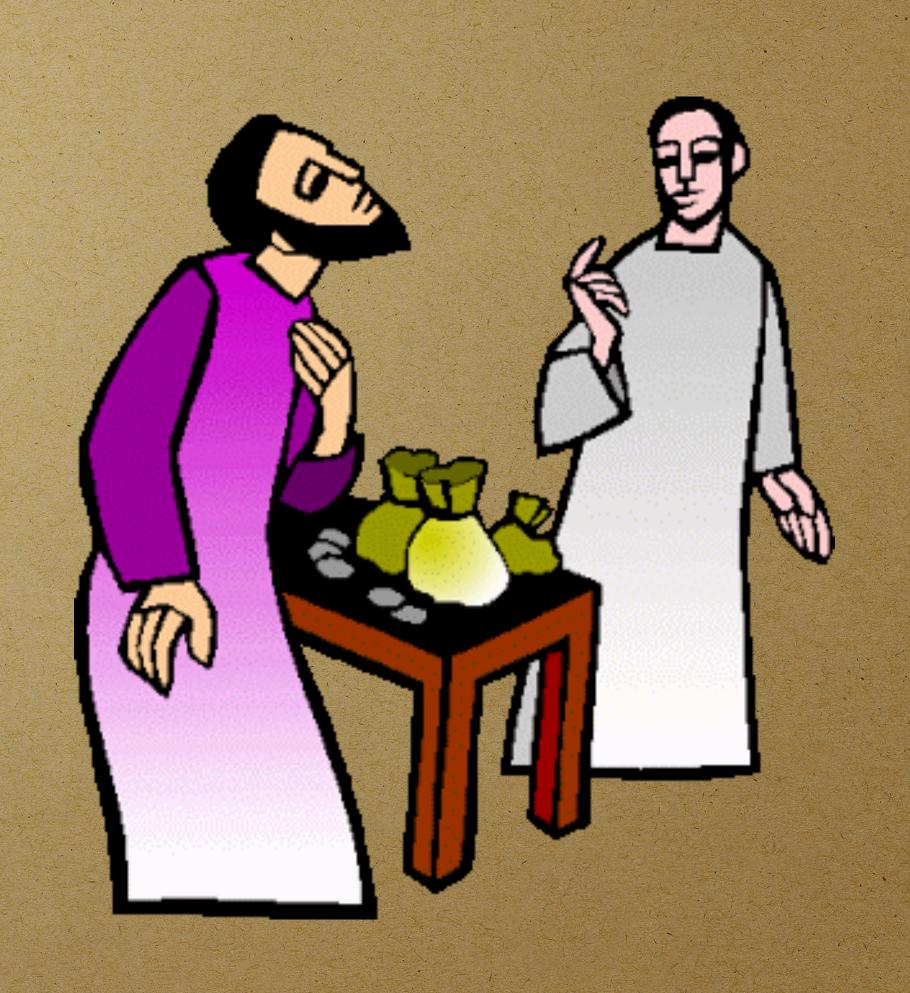






Matt. 18:5 Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

Matt. 18:6 ¶ "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were fastened around your neck and you were drowned in the depth of the sea.



Matt. 18:7 Woe to the world because of stumbling blocks! Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to the one by whom the stumbling block comes!



Matt. 23:13 ¶ "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you lock people out of the kingdom of heaven. For you do not go in yourselves, and when others are going in, you stop



Rom. 9:33 as it is written,

"See, lam laying in Zion a stone that will make people stumble, a rock that will make them fall, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

