

“The Humble and Forgiving Church!”

Some thoughts from Matthew 18

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Introduction

- I. _____ is the Key to Greatness (vv. 1-6).
 - A. You’re Not All That.
 - B. Child-like, not Childish.
 - C. Receive, Don’t Deceive
- II. Dealing With _____ Comes with a Cost (vv. 7-9).
 - A. Don’t Mislead.
 - B. Deal Decisively With Sin.
- III. Bring Back _____ New Believers (vv. 10-14).
 - A. New Ones Can be Mised and Go Astray.
 - B. Take Care to Keep Them in the Flock.
- IV. Deal with the Sin in the _____ (vv. 15-20).
 - A. Keep it Private at First.
 - B. Move it Along.
 - C. Love the Church and Respect the Leaders.
 - D. Jesus is Watching.
- V. Forgiveness is the _____ Way (vv. 21-35).
 - A. Effects of Unwillingness to Forgive.
 - B. How does God forgive you? Forgive others that way.
 - C. Forgiveness Isn’t:
 - D. Forgiveness Is:
 - E. Steps to Practicing Forgiveness. (See separate handout.)