## **Helpless Disciples**

Mark 10:13-16 / March 15, 2020

**Big Question:** Who are the types of people Jesus blesses?

## • People tend to look down on those who are <u>helpless</u> (v13)

- <u>Poor</u> Ezekiel 16:49-50
- Orphans & Widows James 1:27
- <u>Disabled</u> John 5:7
  - They are <u>needy</u>
  - We think they are of no <u>benefit</u> to us
- In fact, God only accepts those with an attitude of <u>helplessness</u> (v14-15)
  - $\circ$  <u>Mind</u> Proverbs 3:5-6
    - Following our own thinking leads to <u>immaturity</u>
    - Following our own understanding leads to <u>stunted</u> <u>growth</u>
  - <u>Heart</u> Psalm 51:17
  - <u>Spirit</u> Titus 3:4-7
- God blesses the <u>helpless</u> (v16)
  - <u>Salvation</u> Ephesians 2:8-9
  - <u>Sanctification</u> 1 Thessalonians 5:23

## SUMMARY:

Jesus <u>blesses</u> those who come to Him in an attitude of <u>helplessness</u>.

## **APPLICATION:**

- Consider the people in life you tend to <u>look</u> <u>down</u> upon. What is God's attitude toward these folks? How would God's Word instruct you to <u>treat</u> them?
- Think & pray ask God to reveal to you the ways you've been <u>depending</u> on <u>yourself</u> instead of Him.
- How often do you <u>thank God</u> for the blessings you have received from <u>Jesus</u>?