

## **- Kids & Jesus - Matthew 19:13-15**

### **Ideas for an intro**

- I would love to say that I was a cute kid. It would be great to say that I was an adorable kid. But like any 'kid', I regularly found myself in trouble. Little kids can be cute. Babies can be cute. But kids can get messy. Some people love kids. Others really do not like children. In today's session, we'll look at how God views them and how that might need to affect what we do.

### **A Biblical Passage to focus on**

1. Read Matthew 19:13-15

### **A short devotional based on that Biblical passage**

1. Why were children brought to Jesus?
2. How did the disciples respond?
3. What is the attitude that the disciples show in this moment?
4. How does Jesus respond to the disciples?
5. According to verse 14, why does Jesus do this?
6. What does Jesus do before leaving?
7. Why does Jesus do that? (v 13)

### **Brainstorming questions for you and your team**

1. How do people usually define 'Children'?
2. How might people view you? Your team?
3. How do you define 'children'?
4. If you were to place yourself in this passage, would you be like the people in verse 13, the disciples or the children? Why?
5. When you look at your ministry/club, would you be like the people in verse 13, the disciples or the children? Why?
6. What are some ways that you might get in the way of people getting to God?
7. What are some things your club/ministry does that gets in the way of people getting to God?

### **Application Concepts**

1. List some ways you can help or bless children.
2. Research some local children's ministries that you can partner with.
3. Who are some younger students you can care for or serve?

### **This week's Holy Experiment...or ask God for another**

1. Ask your church's children's ministry for a way to help.
2. Encourage a younger student.