

Questions On Matthew Chapter 18

1. According to the Mark (Mark 9:33-34) and Luke (Luke 9:46) accounts of this narrative, what generated the disciples' question to Jesus about who would be greatest in the kingdom?
 - a. Who did Jesus say that disciples had to be like in order for them to enter the kingdom? (vs. 2-5)
 - b. What particular characteristic did Jesus name? (v. 4)
 - c. How should disciples actually consider one another? (Rom. 12:10; Philippians 2:3-4?)
2. Matthew 18:7 speaks of "offenses." People typically associate "offense" with "hurt feelings" over not getting one's way. However, how serious is the "offense" of Matthew 18:7? See verses 6, 8 and 9 for the answer.
 - a. As He did in Matthew 5:29-30, Jesus uses hyperbole in these verses. What does Jesus really mean by "plucking out" an eye or "cutting off" a hand or foot?
3. Some people assume from verse 10 that each child has his own personal guardian angel in heaven. However, Hebrews 1:14 speaks of angels having a *general role* for all people as what?
4. What illustration does Jesus use to show the value of one soul? (vs. 11-14)
5. Matthew 18:15-17 is often misapplied. This passage describes what potentially three-phased process?

- a. Is the sin of verse 15 *public* or *private*?
 - b. In what scenario does such a sin become public?
6. In verse 18, as we saw in Matthew 16:19, the apostles had binding and loosing power but not as Catholics and others would have us to believe. The NASB properly translates the force of the perfect tense verb when it says, “*whatever you shall bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven...*” Explain the significance of this language:
- a. In Galatians 1:12, how did Paul say that he received the information that he preached?
7. Matthew 18:19-20 is frequently used as a church assembly passage. However, Jesus is discussing the power of eye-witness corroboration. Particularly in relationship to what activity according to verse 18?
8. What did Peter ask Jesus about forgiving a brother, and what was Jesus’ answer? (vs. 21-22)
- a. We are permitted to forgive provided that one has _____
(Lk. 17:3-4)
9. What parable did Jesus give in response to Peter’s question?
- a. What did the servant (main servant) do wrong in this story?
 - b. What is the *general* difference between the amounts of money in verses 24 and 28?
 - c. What lesson are we to learn from this parable?