

## Study Notes and Questions for Matthew Chapter 18

- What do you think the disciples were hoping or expecting to hear from Jesus when they asked Him “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”
- What point did Jesus make in verse 3 before answering their question and why is that point important?
- Why is a child a good picture of what it takes to be great in the Kingdom of heaven?
- What characteristics make a person great in the kingdom of man?
- Verses 5 and 6 express two aspects of a believer’s connection to Jesus. What are those two aspects?
- How should the word “**woe**” be understood as it is used in verse 7?
- How do we know that Jesus is using figures of speech in verses 8 and 9?
- Verse 10 expresses another aspect between Jesus and believers. What is it?
- What should be our biggest take-away from verses 12-14?
- What is the benefit of following the steps in verses 15-17 when someone sins against another?
- Verses 18 and 19 are quite often quoted apart from their context and made to mean many things. What is the context of those verses?
- According to the parable of the unmerciful servant, why are believers obligated to forgive others?
- What should we do if we are simply unable to forgive?
- What do you feel was the most important element of this chapter?
- What did you find the most personally convicting?