

MATTHEW 20; August 9; Are Ye Able? We Are Able!

ANALYSIS:

1. How did the householder, who paid all his laborers the same wage, defend himself as being lawful in his actions?

2. What did Jesus tell his disciples would happen to Him in Jerusalem at the hands of the Jews? _____ the Gentiles (Romans)? _____

3, Who asked that two disciples might sit on either side of Jesus in his kingdom? _____

4. What did Jesus say a person needed to do to be considered great or chief? _____

5. What plea for healing did the blind men repeat to Jesus?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Even though the disciples had witnessed Jesus serve and minister totally unselfishly to multitudes, they still missed adopting his example. Jesus had to teach them that if they were ever to be considered great or chief, it would be because they ministered to and served one another. Jesus drove this lesson home by saying that He, the Son of man, "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." How well are you and I living this lesson?

Let's review something we've heard before from the letters of the word "joy." J is for Jesus when we give Him first place. O is for others, many of whom we meet daily face to face. Y is for you when you have life's priorities in the right order. This simple formula will work wonders in giving you and me JOY!

HELP:

1. [Either of several statements are correct] Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? (vs 13, 15).

2. Jews would betray and condemn Jesus to death; Gentiles would mock, scourge and crucify Him (vs 18-19).

3. The mother of Zebedee's children for her sons (vs 20-21).

4. Let him be your minister ... let him be your servant (vs 26-27).

5. Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David (vs 30-31).