

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

Message Series: The Leveraged Life

Message Title: A Heart of Gratitude Gives Leverage

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AT A GLANCE

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 20:1-16; Matthew 19:27-30

APPLICATION

- A Response to the Invitation
- Celebrate, Don't Frustrate
- Life is not Level

DISCUSSION & APPLICATION

Read Matthew 20:1-16.

God owns it all and determines the reward.

1 To leverage means to put something in our favor. What does this parable teach you about God and how He leverages things on our behalf?

2 Give an example of when you were excited to celebrate other's success or when it was difficult to celebrate other's success. Why was it difficult?

GRATEFUL (WINNERS)

God-centered

Seeks to bless others

Fueled by humility

Provides leverage

UNGRATEFUL (WHINERS)

Self-centered

Believes God is holding out on you

Fueled by entitlement

Does not provide leverage

Read Matthew 19:27-30.

3 How often do you "grumble"? What reward(s) have you received from the Lord that you possibly have overlooked as a reward?

4 Where do you see yourself in this parable?

-Standing idly by and not taking the invitation given to me

-Responding 'YES' to the landowner (God) to come and work in the field

-Grumbling over the landowner's decisions

-Responding with a heart of gratitude

PAUSE, PONDER, PRAY

Do you feel that God owes you something or is holding out on you? Have you been surprised by God's unexpected generosity?