

Word Sharing Manuel

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Only by Grace

Matthew 20 : 1 - 16

¹"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire men to work in his vineyard. ²He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into hisvineyard. ³"About the third hour he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. ⁴He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' 5So they went. "He went out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour and did the same thing. ⁶About the eleventh hour he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?' 7" 'Because no one has hired us.' they answered." He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.' ⁸"When evening came, the owner of the vinevard said to his foreman. 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.' 9"The workers who were hired about the eleventh hour came and each received a denarius. ¹⁰So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. ¹¹When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 12'These men who were hired last worked only one hour.' they said. 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.¹³"But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am not being unfair to you. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? ¹⁴Take your pay and go. I want to give the man who was hired last the same as I gave you. ¹⁵Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶"So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Focus Points

- Interpretation Varies Based on Perspective The perspective of the master The perspective of the servant
- The main lesson of the story is that the Kingdom of God, governed by a good God, operates on the principle of grace.

The Kingdom of God cannot be understood by the values and perspectives of the world.

The Kingdom of God can be understood through the perspective of grace.

• Parable of the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin

From Jesus' perspective, He gives us life, and He gives it abundantly. From people's perspective, it is easy to view things in terms of right and wrong.

• True change is revealed when we receive grace.

We must strive and lead in covering others with grace. We must deeply recognize that we too can only stand before God by grace alone.

Grace

Dictionary definition: "A favor or benefit given without expectation of return."

God bestows grace and love upon us freely, without cost or condition.

[Questions]

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- 1. How can the Kingdom of God be interpreted?
- 2. What is grace?
- 3. What kind of grace have you received from God?
- 4. How can we live by extending grace in our lives?



Weekl	y Check	Walking daily with God in the life given to us, and building the kingdom of God.								
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