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A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

Go Deeper Study Guide

REMOVING OBSTACLES | Matthew 18:1-35

Pastor Bob DuPar • January 16 - 22, 2022

Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group. If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: www.cbcventura.org

Going Deeper

Re-read **Matthew 18:1-35**. Try comparing two different translations. Take some time as a group discussing your observations.

What is **Lent**? How does the subject of Lent relate to *removing obstacles*?

What's an obstacle in your life right now that needs to be removed?

Read **Mark 9:33-37**. How does **pride** relate to the disciples' question about greatness in God's Kingdom?

How does Jesus answer their question in **Matthew 18:2**? What can children teach us?

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What does it look like to remove an *opportunity to sin*? Do you have a story or example of this?

How can unbiblical church discipline lead to disunity? What's the proper procedure in **verses 15-17**? What's the promised result in **verses 18-20**?

What does our passage teach us about *forgiveness* in **verses 21-35**? How is biblical forgiveness different from the world's understanding?

How do we discover true peace and freedom from the past?

Application

How will you prepare for Lent? What steps can you take right now (this week) to draw closer to God ?

Prayer

How can your group pray for you?



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Worship: **Jim Licata**

Song List

This is Amazing Grace
In Christ Alone
Come Thou Fount
Reckless Love
Old Church Choir



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Financial Update thru January 9, 2022

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| Contributions | Budgeted Expenses | Actual Expenses |
| \$7,869.46 | \$19,739.58 | \$24,365.20 |
| Offering for 1/9/22 | Weekly Needs | |
| \$5,572.46 | \$9,869.79 | |

Fund Balances thru November 30, 2021

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| General | Benevolence | Building |
| \$187,559.00 | \$610.00 | \$29,551.00 |

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Introductory Insights

Removing obstacles...

- PRIDE _____
vss 1-6

- OPPORTUNITIES _____
vss 7-14

- DISUNITY _____
vss 15-20

- DEBTS _____
vss 21-35

Closing Comments

