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A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

Go Deeper Study Guide

DIVINE DOC-DOC'S | Matthew 20:1-34

Pastor Bob DuPar • January 23 - February 5, 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 20:1-34**. Try comparing two different translations. Take some time as a group discussing your observations.

What is a *paradox*? How does the meaning of paradox relate to our passage?

In the first section (**vss. 1-16**) what was the order in which the workers got paid? How does this illustrate the first paradox found in **verse 16**? What lessons/applications can we learn?

What principle guided the land owner in his compensation of the workers? Who does the owner represent? The workers?

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What's unique about **verses 17-19** compared to previous discussions like this in Matthew's gospel? How do the disciples respond? Why do you think they respond like this? Discuss how self-interest/absorption can blind us.

What paradox is illustrated in the last section of our passage (**vss. 29-34**)? What can we learn from it?

Discuss the following quote by **Helen Keller**:

The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision!

Application

How will you allow your need to drive you to Jesus this week? Who is someone you can serve this week? In what area of your life do you need to be persistent?

Prayer

How can your group pray for you?

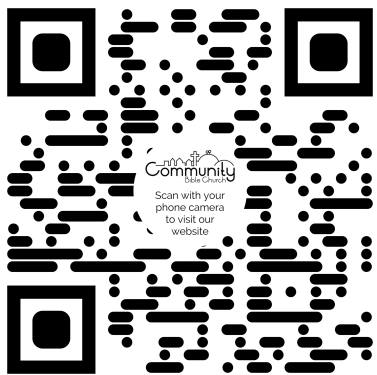


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Worship: **Britney Christian Miller**

Song List

- House of the Lord
- Take Courage
- King of My Heart
- Jesus We Love You
- Jesus Paid It All



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Financial Update thru January 23, 2022

Contributions	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses
\$21,598.46	\$39,479.15	\$35,761.90
Offering for 1/23/22	Weekly Needs	
\$5,983.00	\$9,869.79	

Fund Balances thru December 31, 2021

General	Benevolence	Building
\$200,534.00	\$941.00	\$29,475.00

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Initial Insights

Let's explore three divine paradoxes in our passage...

X THE LAST WILL BE FIRST, AND THE FIRST LAST !
vss 1-16

X GREATNESS = SERVING VS BEING SERVED !
vss 17-28

X PHYSICALLY BLIND BUT SPIRITUALLY AWARE !
vss 29-34

Closing Comments

