Kingdom of Heaven Material

Without the Forgiveness of God, Who among Us is Kingdom of Heaven Material?

Matthew 18:1 through 18:35

Humility is Necessary for entering the Kingdom of Heaven! Jesus uses the humility of a child to illustrate this truth.

- Mat 18:1 At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?
- Mat 18:2 And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,
- Mat 18:3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted (by workings of the Holy Spirit?), and become as little children (which results with the born again experience?), ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven (read John Chapter 3:1 through 3:21).
- Mat 18:4 Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.
- Mat 18:5 And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.
- Mat 18:6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea (I can not resist being persuaded that the issues of purposeful un-restrained abortion is addressed somewhere among these statements of the Lord Jesus Christ; and apologizing (from my point of view) to anyone for thinking this way would be an additional offense to the LORD God of Creation!).
- Mat 18:7 Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man (or woman) by whom the offence cometh!
- Mat 18:8 Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast *them* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two (2) hands or two (2) feet to be cast into everlasting fire.
- Mat 18:9 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one (1) eye, rather than having two (2) eyes to be cast into hell fire.
- Mat 18:10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.
- Mat 18:11 For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.
- Mat 18:12 How think ye? if a man have an hundred (100) sheep, and one (1) of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine (99), and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray?
- Mat 18:13 And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that *sheep*, than of the ninety and nine (99) which went not astray.
- Mat 18:14 Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one (1) of these little ones should perish.
- Mat 18:15 Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.
- Mat 18:16 But if he will not hear *thee, then* take with thee one (1) or two (2) more, that in the mouth of two (2) or three (3) witnesses every word may be established.

- Mat 18:17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.
- Mat 18:18 Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
- Mat 18:19 Again I say unto you, That if two (2) of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.
- Mat 18:20 For where two (2) or three (3) are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.
- Mat 18:21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven (7) times?
- Mat 18:22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven (7) times: but, Until seventy (70) times seven (7).
- Mat 18:23 Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.
- Mat 18:24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand (10,000) talents (a talent varied from 75 to 100 pounds).
- Mat 18:25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.
- Mat 18:26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him (*his master*), saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
- Mat 18:27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

And example of how the LORD God sees our unforgiveness toward another:

- Mat 18:28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred pence (probably less that \$2.00 US money): and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.
- Mat 18:29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
- Mat 18:30 And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.
- Mat 18:31 So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.
- Mat 18:32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:
- Mat 18:33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?
- Mat 18:34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.
- Mat 18:35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.