

Conversations On The Way To The Cross

Sermon Based Life Group Notes for the week of April 7

Getting To Know Each Other

- Who is the most famous person you have ever met face to face?

Into the Bible

Read Luke 18:1-8

- What method did this woman use to get the judge's attention?
- What does this parable teach us?
- How is God like and unlike the judge?
- Application: If Jesus came to your house today, would he find persistent faith?
- Application: In prayer, are you more likely to "keep praying" or "give up"?

Read Luke 18:9-14

- What group of people would be the Pharisees today?
- Who would be the tax collectors?
- How is humility and faith connected?
- Application: How do you show humility in front of people and God?
- Application: When did you first cry out to God and say, "Have mercy on me, a sinner"?

Read Luke 18:15-30

- How are children examples to adults on how to accept Jesus and follow Him?
- What spiritual training has the rich ruler practiced since childhood? Verse 21
- What is the rich ruler's biggest roadblock?
- What does Jesus say about roadblocks like wealth? Why is eternal life so hard to find?
- If the ruler is missing heaven, how can average people make it in? Verse 26-27
- Application: What roadblocks to faith have hindered your relationship with God?
- Application: When did you realize that a relationship with Jesus is impossible on our own good deeds or church attendance?

Read Luke 18:35-43

- In verse 36 and 38, what is admirable about the blind man?
- In verse 37, what is admirable about the crowd?
- What do the disciples still not quite understand about Jesus' mission? Verse 39
- What does Jesus ask the man? Verse 41
- What is the man's response to Jesus' healing? Verse 43
- Application: Have you ever felt Jesus was too busy to be bothered by your request?
- Application: How have you hindered your children by not praying for God's assistance when you had needs?
- Application: What practical ways can you begin to be a good example in your faith?
- Application: If Jesus asked you, "What do you want me to do for you?" What would you say to him? What would it mean to ask in faith?