

GROWTH GROUPS

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“Measuring Value”

Matthew 18:1-14

Conversation Starter -

Who was the greatest baseball player? What are you measuring as you try to answer this question?

Understanding -

When the disciples asked “who’s the greatest” they revealed that their heart was still not aligned with the heart of the Father. Jesus said they needed to “change” if they want to enter the kingdom of heaven. Might the same exhortation be true for us?

1. In asking “who is the greatest,” the disciples were looking to assign importance or value to themselves above others. How do we determine the value of a person?
2. Jesus shares the parable of the shepherd who left the ninety-nine sheep in pursuit of the one to indicate the value God places on people. What value does God place on an individual?
3. Who are the people in our life we are tempted to dismiss as less valuable, or “not worth it?”