

Script – Jesus Blesses the Children

Narrator: Everywhere Jesus went, people wanted to see Him. They wanted to talk to Him and to learn more about God. Jesus told them many things about His heavenly Father. People ask Him important and sometimes hard questions.

Person 1: What is God like?

Person 2: How can I go to heaven?

Person 3: How many times must I forgive someone who does wrong?

Narrator: Jesus took time to answer each question. [pause] A blind man called to Jesus.

Blind Person: Jesus, please heal me.

Narrator: Friends and relatives brought sick people to Jesus. Jesus would speak to the people and sometimes touch them and made them well. Children loved Him too. Sometimes they followed Him, or pushed their way through the crowd to see Him. Jesus was always glad to see the children. He loved them too. [pause] One day, some mothers heard that Jesus was in town, so they decided to take their children to see this great teacher. They hurried through the streets to the place where Jesus was.

Disciple 1: I hope those women are not bringing their children to talk to Jesus.

Disciple 2: He has more important things to do than to talk to children.

Disciple 3: Besides, He is tired and need to rest.

Child 1: I want to see Jesus.

Child 2: Doesn't He look kind?

Child 3: Come on! Hurry!

Disciple 1: [sternly to the mothers] Take your children away, Jesus is too busy to see them.

Disciple 2: Jesus is busy with important people. He doesn't have time for you.

Disciple 3: Jesus has been teaching all day. He needs to rest. He is tired.

Narrator: The mothers were very sad and the children were sad too. Some of the children began to cry. They wanted to talk to Jesus. They wanted to hear about the heavenly Father too. Jesus heard what the disciples had said and He saw the women and children turn to go.

Jesus: [to the disciples] Don't ever turn the children away. They are important too. [to the mothers and children] Come back! Come back!

Narrator: How happy the children were to hear the great Teacher's words. Mothers smiled as Jesus took their children in His arms, or patted them on their shoulders and talked to them.

Jesus: [to His disciples] Don't ever again send children away. I love children as well as grown-ups, and I always have time for them. I want to help them too. [pause] You should be more like children. You should trust me and love me like they do. [pause] I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.

Jesus: [to the children] God bless you my children. God keep you safe and help you and give you happiness. Believe in me and in the Heavenly Father.

Narrator: Quietly the disciples listened as Jesus spoke. Now they knew that every person was important to God, especially children. All the way home the mothers smiled and talked about the way the great Teacher loved their children. The children laughed and danced as they thought about Jesus who loved them too.

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