

## WEEK 4 | JESUS BLESSING CHILDREN | MARK 10:13-16

### Inspection – “What does it say?”

According to verse 13, for what reason did the people bring their children to Jesus?

What specific insight does Luke record about the children in Luke 18:15 that Mark’s account does not reveal?

What was Jesus’ reaction in verse 14 when the disciples rebuked the people?

What eternal truth did Jesus acknowledge in verse 15?

What three action points did Jesus take in verse 16?

### Observation – “What does it mean?”

How does seeing the kingdom of God as a child differ from an adult?

How does having an “indignant” or “angry” feeling toward a situation have a part in following Jesus?

Why would the phrase “place His hands” seem to be so noteworthy in the text?

What does the phrase “receive the kingdom” suggest in verse 15?

How is this account related to Jesus’ conversation with Nicodemus in John 3:1-21?

### Life Application – “What does it mean for me?”

Consider how God could use you to bring children to Jesus.

Each week select a young family to pray for daily.

Consider participating in this year’s Operation Christmas Child shoebox for children.

Seek to learn from a child’s sense of wonder and excitement toward life.

Write out a blessing for a young person and send a card of encouragement.

### Meditation – “What does God say?”

Philippians 4:19

James 1:17

Luke 6:38

Numbers 6:24-26

3 John 1:2

1 Samuel 20:42

Ephesians 3:16

Genesis 27:27-29

## Supplication: What Can We Meditate?

### Are All The Children In

Are all the children in? The night is falling,  
And storm clouds gather in the threatening west;  
The lowing cattle seek a friendly shelter;  
The bird flies to her nest;

The thunder crashes; wilder grows the tempest,  
And darkness settles o'er the fearful din;  
Come, shut the door, and gather round the hearthstone;  
Are all the children in?

Are all the children in? The night is falling,  
When gilded sin doth walk about the streets.  
O, "at the last it biteth like a serpent!"  
Poisoned are stolen sweets.

O mothers, guard the feet of inexperience,  
Too prone to wander in the paths of sin!  
O, shut the door of love against temptation!  
Are all the children in?

Are all the children in? The night is falling,  
The night of death is hastening on apace;  
The Lord is calling, "Enter thou thy chamber,  
And tarry there a space."

And when He comes, the King in all His glory,  
Who died the shameful death our hearts to win,  
O may the gates of heaven shut about us,  
With all the children in!

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