

## THE BIG IDEA CURRICULUM

### Mothers Day

#### Sermon 8.5.10

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### Small Group Study for Week of May 8-14

#### The Big Idea

**Whether you are a mother or any human being we often feel inadequate. The gospel tells us that God meets us where we are and moves us on and that He takes what we have and wants to do great things with them.**

#### Question:

1. What are factors that cause us to feel inadequate about ourselves, our parenting, work, looks, school etc?

**Group Reads:** Romans 5:8 page 771 and Isaiah 64:6 page 551

2. What do these verses tell us about what we have to do before God will reach us? Where is He willing to go to reach us? What does this tell us about God?

**Group Reads:** Romans 8:1 and 12-17 page 773

3. What are we in Christ?

4. How should that impact how I think of myself?

**Group Reads:** Matthew 25:14-29

**Statement:** This passage is not talking about literal money but the gifts, talents etc God gives His followers who want to be part of His Kingdom.

5. What part did the people in the parable have in choosing their gifts?

What part do we play in choosing our history, DNA, parents, etc?

6. In the above parable, what right would each person have had to complain about what the others were given? Why are we envious of those who we think have better lives or look down on those who we think have worse lives than us?

7. Does the above parable help us in how we should treat others? How?

**Group Reads:** 1 Kings 17:7-16 page 242

**Statement:** God always uses what we have and does something great

8. What does this story teach us about how God helps people?

9. What do you have in your life that you think God wants to use? How are you going to use it?

10. What do you think of the statement: **The gospel tells us that God meets us where we are and moves us on and that He takes what we have and wants to do great things with them?**

11. How will use that statement to live differently this week?

