DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Matthew 20:1–16

Read through the passage together before you begin.

1. Where in your life do you feel a sense of "unfairness"? What about that situation gets under your skin?
2. Which character in the story do you most identify with — an early worker, a late worker, or the owner? Why?
3. Do the early workers have a point (vv. 10–12)? Were they treated unfairly?
4. Read the owner's reply in vv. 13–15. What do his words reveal about his heart? How do you react to them?
5. The story is bookended by "the last will be first, and the first last" (19:30; 20:16), right after Peter asks what the disciples will get for following Jesus (19:27). What do you think Jesus means?
6. What is Jesus' main point in telling this story?
7. How is the gospel different from earning? Where are we most tempted to confuse the two?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Thank God for His generosity toward you, and ask Him to uproot any resentment over the grace He shows others.