



Questions to Consider:

- Make a list of what makes you feel important or successful? Or, What would be on your “tombstone” that summarizes your life? How does your list compare to God’s “kingdom list”/“kingdom values?”
- Read **Matthew 19:16-30** about the Rich Young Man & **Matthew 20:1-16** about the Laborers in the Vineyard. What are the observations that you make? How are the stories connected? How are they different?
- If this parable about the landowner were the only story you knew about God, what would your viewpoint be about God?
- Picture yourself in each of the groups of workers described in Matthew 20. How would you feel in these different situations or groups?
- What is the false narrative that lies beneath this parable?
- What does this parable teach us about grace?
- How have you experienced God’s grace and generosity in your life? When you are reminded of this trait of God what changes or shifts take place in your outlook on life?

Soul Training - Praying Psalm 23:

- Read Psalm 23 as a prayer several times this week. Try and read it at the start of your day and at the end of your day.
- What images come to mind in the various aspects of our generous God in relation to this Psalm?
- How does this “true narrative” about God make you feel? How might it change your perspective on life’s circumstances that you experience?

**The Good and Beautiful God
Our God is Generous**

Matthew 20:1-16

Intro.: ***What is Your Image of God?***

Your image of God is shaped and formed by:

- Your _____
- Your _____
- Your _____
- Your _____ and _____

Having a correct image of God is important as we go through life.

I. Gaining a Proper Understanding of God

- a. It takes a _____ to _____
- b. There is _____
- c. Listening to _____

II. The Parable of the Landowner – Matthew 20:1-16

- a. Being _____
- b. The _____ of the Bible is _____
- c. The _____

III. Responding to a Generous God

- a. We are all _____
- b. Be _____