

Children's Day
Luke 18:15-17 May 22, 2011
Promotion Sunday

- I. Whatever happened to Children's Day?
 - A. When I was growing up, our church celebrated Children's day; which only seemed appropriate to me. After all there was Mother's Day and Father's Day and I just assumed everybody everywhere celebrated Children's Day.
 - B. But then to my dismay I discovered that it was only our church that celebrated Children's Day and Hallmark did not make a card for Children's Day.
 - C. Not to mention that I think Hallmark is missing a real opportunity here, but I really think there should be a kids' day.

- D. After all, being a kid is not all that easy.
I mean, yeh, sure, it's lots of time to play and rest;
but really it's a lot of work,
a lot of work,
trying to figure out this world.
- E. And to be honest, kids just aren't given the respect that they are really due.
I know quite often they just seem like a pain, but that's because their just learning how to play a very, very complicated game;
a game that even many adults, maybe most adults, have trouble playing.
- F. But, whatever --
I think there should be Children's Day.
After all, without kids, there wouldn't be a Mother's Day or Father's Day.
- II. But here's another reason to celebrate kid's with a Children's Day; it's because according to Jesus if we don't learn to receive the realm of God as an infant does, we will never enter it."
- A. Have you figured out how to receive the realm of God as an infant does?

- B. What does it mean to receive God's realm as an infant would receive it?**
- C. How does an infant receive God's realm?**
- D. What can we learn from an infant?**

E. Hum, guess we better figure that one out.

If you think you have some insight, write it down on a prayer card and give it to me as you leave. AMEN.