

## THE LAST WILL BE FIRST AND THE FIRST LAST

("He Said *What?*" Shocking Statements of Jesus- Part 10)  
November 18, 2018

Matthew 20:1–16

**Background/Context:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 19:16-30)

**YOU SAY YOU WANT JUSTICE?**

**YOU DON'T WANT \_\_\_\_\_ !**

**YOU DON'T WANT A \_\_\_\_\_ WITH GOD;**

**YOU WANT A \_\_\_\_\_.**

### 3 SIGNS OF A CONTRACT-WITH-GOD MINDSET:

#### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Towards God

Do you think God has withheld some \_\_\_\_\_ from you that  
you think \_\_\_\_\_?

#### 2. Jealous of Good Happening \_\_\_\_\_

Are you jealous of good things \_\_\_\_\_?

#### 3. \_\_\_\_\_ to Those Suffering

Are you \_\_\_\_\_ by others' suffering?

### RIPPING UP THE CONTRACT...

...Replaces bitterness with \_\_\_\_\_

...Replaces jealousy with \_\_\_\_\_

...Replaces indifference with \_\_\_\_\_

Fill-ins: Rich Young Ruler; TO GO THERE; CONTRACT; COVENANT; Bitterness; good; you deserve;  
to Others; others have; Indifferent; moved to action; gratitude; contentment; compassion

## Life Group Questions for the week of November 18, 2018

1. Looking back at your notes from this Sunday's message, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?
2. How would you explain the common concept of fairness?
3. If God treated us fairly, what would we get from Him? See Romans 3:23 and Ephesians 5:5-6.
4. Discuss the feelings of envy and jealousy. Where do they come from, what do they feel like, what are their cause, and how can we handle them appropriately as disciples?
5. Read Paul's comments in 2 Corinthians 10:12-18. What are some of the dangers of comparing ourselves with others?
6. What are some ways that we can avoid developing an attitude that God somehow owes us for all we do for him?
7. In what ways is this parable similar to the Parable of the Prodigal Son? Compare the attitude of the workers first hired to that of the elder brother (Luke 15:25-30).
8. Consider your energy level and attitude in serving the King on earth right now. How would you place yourself inside this parable and why?  
One who is weary and looking for a break?  
One who just got into the field?  
One who's toiling faithfully in the heat of the day?  
One looking around to see if there's an easier job out there?  
One teamed up with fellow workers to be more efficient?