



2020 VISION:

SEEING AS JESUS SEES

CHILDREN





# How We Sometimes See Children

- **Inconvenient**
  - **They Ask A LOT of Questions**
  - **They Make A LOT of Mistakes**



# How We Sometimes See Children

- **Of Lesser Importance**

**Matt. 19:13-15**

- **Less Time And Effort Spent On Them**
- **Put Them Off Or Ignore Them Altogether**



# How We Sometimes See Children

- **Students, Not Teachers**
  - **They Need To Just Listen And Learn**
  - **They Can't Teach Us Anything**

**Matthew 21:14-16; John 7:47, 48**





# The Consequences Of These Views

- **We Don't Make An Effort**
  - **To Teach And Train Them**
  - **We Give Up Easily/Quickly**





# The Consequences Of These Views

- **We Sacrifice Them**
  - **The Old Testament Era: Literally**  
**Deuteronomy 12:31**
  - **Today: Abortion & Neglect**





# The Consequences Of These Views

- **We Don't Listen To Them**
  - **No Questions Allowed**
  - **Comments/Different Ideas Dismissed**





# The Consequences Of These Views

- **We Discourage Them**
  - **They Are Not Recognized or Challenged**
  - **They Feel Useless/Not A Part**





# How Jesus Sees Children

- **Worth Our Time**

**Matt. 19:14; 18:3-4**

- **Train Them!**

**Ephesians 6:4**

- **Be An Example To Them!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Tim. 4:12; 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim. 2:2; Phlp. 3:17; 4:9**





# How Jesus Sees Children

- **Important**

- **The Future of the Church**

*Deuteronomy 6:6-9; Judges 2:10*

- **The Future Of Our Society**





# How Jesus Sees Children

- **An Example For Adults**

- **Their Character**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles 33:9; 34:2; Matthew 18:3, 4;**

- **Their Insight**

**Job 32:6-7. 9; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 5:3; Matthew 21:16**



*“Behold, children are a heritage  
from the Lord, the fruit of the womb  
is a reward.”*

**Psalm 127:3**



