

SERMON NOTES
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The Surprising Judgement of Heaven

Matthew 19:27-30; 20:10-12, 16

“Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing His mercy and His grace;
In the mansions, bright and blessed; He’ll prepare for us a place.

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, we’ll sing and shout the victory!” – Eliza Hewitt

Regeneration v. 28

Reward v. 29

A supernatural end to supernatural world.

“But many who are first will be last; and the last, first.” v 30

The story explains the proverb.

- **Warning for Peter** (competition)

- **Warning for Jews** (resentment)

- **Warning for us**
Don’t complain!
Don’t compare!

The Bible is full of this report.

2 Corinthians 10: 12, 18

For we are not bold to class or compare ourselves with some of those who commend themselves; but when they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they are without understanding.

For it is not he who commends himself that is approved, but he whom the Lord commends.

Luke 17:10 – 80/20 Rule

So you too, when you do all the things which are commanded you, say, “We are unworthy slaves; we have done only that which we ought to have done.”

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^{19:27} Then Peter said to Him, "Behold, we have left everything and followed You; what then will there be for us?" ²⁸ And Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you, that you who have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹ And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or farms for My name's sake, will receive many times as much, and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰ But many who are first will be last; and the last, first.

^{20:10} When those hired first came, they thought that they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ When they received it, they grumbled at the landowner, ¹² saying, 'These last men have worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden and the scorching heat of the day.'

¹⁶ So the last shall be first, and the first last."