

QUESTION #2: In what ways are children and youth being hindered in growing spiritually? In the church? In the family?

Where Have All the Children Gone?

Luke 18:15-17 / Mark 10:13-16

People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them. Mark 10:13-16 (New International Version)

This passage teaches us two important truths:

➤ **IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE INTRODUCE THE NEXT GENERATION TO JESUS.**

➤ **IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE, OURSELVES, COME TO JESUS WITH CHILD-LIKE ATTITUDES.**

QUESTION #1: What do you honestly think about children in worship service? What do you see as the pros and cons?

QUESTION #3: What can I do to introduce the next generation to Jesus?

Personal Reflection and Application:

- Of the attributes listed, which have I somehow abandoned or "lost" in adulthood that I want God to restore in me?

- Spend some time in prayer, asking the Lord to create in you a "child-like" heart.