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Jesus On . . . The Difference Between Religion and Grace

Matthew 20: 1-16

The One Thing:

The path of religion inevitably attempts to
_____ in my image.

The path of grace molds my _____
in the image of Jesus.

A Truth That Many Don't Like:

Heart transformation happens when grace
transforms the _____ places of _____ in my heart.

Four Distinctions Between Religion and Grace:

1. The path of religion thinks that God _____ me something while the path of grace knows that I _____ to Jesus.

Matthew 20:10 So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius.

2. The path of religion produces a lot of _____ while the path of grace produces a lot of _____.

Matthew 20:11 When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner.

3. The path of religion makes _____ the standard of what feels _____ while the path of grace understands the standard is Jesus and he is _____ than fair.

Matthew 20:12 'These who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'

4. The path of religion misunderstands the assignment while the path of grace understands life is about _____ and _____ others who do not _____ it.

Matthew 20:15-16 Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶ "So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Matthew 20:17-19 Now Jesus was going up to Jerusalem. On the way, he took the Twelve aside and said to them, ¹⁸ "We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death ¹⁹ and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!"

Matthew 20:25-28 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ²⁶ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— ²⁸ just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."