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Mind Games pt. 9: Think Like a Kid

In this lesson you will learn three ways to think like a kid in the Kingdom.

Intro: It is so important to remember that we are children of our God. As his children, we are to operate and function in the Kingdom of God as little kids. As Jesus was with his disciples, they argued about who would be the greatest. Jesus told them that they would need to become child like to enter into the kingdom of God. We will not enter into the kingdom unless we become like a child. There is something beautiful and innocent about our child development season of life when we are helpless without an adult who can help us with our every need. We need to change our mindset, and think like children.

I. Kids Humbly Accept Help

- A. Children willingly recognize that they are completely dependent on their parents. They happily depend on their parents for their every need. The humility of children is very evident and a beautiful thing to watch. Jesus tells us to go lower if we want to be higher. Our job is to humble ourselves in His sight and he will exalt us in due time (1Pet 5:6). Don't wait to be humiliated before you realize your need to humble yourself before God. Just as a toddler is dependent on his parents, we should be dependent on God.

II. Kids Believe without Complication

- A. Children have a way of believing everything you say and believing it as fact. It is only after they grow up, that they have a tendency to question everything. The currency of the kingdom of heaven is faith. It's what moves God's heart, and what the Bible heroes are known for. Have childlike faith. Kids trust their parents about anything. They are gullible and unsuspecting. Jesus is looking for faith that will take him at his word. He is looking for his children to come to him in a spirit of humility trusting him completely to take care of their every need (Phil 4:19).

III. Kids Love to Laugh

- A. Kids will laugh at anything that they find slightly amusing loudly and without apology. Learn to laugh more than you have ever before. You can roll back the aging process on your body by simply being light hearted, having a sense of humor, and laughing more. Laughter and smiling bring positivity to an environment, and that positivity lights up the whole room. Learn to laugh at yourself, with yourself, and by yourself. Laughter is what the soul longs for. It is the release valve of pent-up emotions, a restorer of energy, and a regulator for the heart. Your laughter is an indicator of the joy in your heart. So, let the laughter flow out because it will act just like medicine to your body (Prov 17:22).

Discussion Questions

1. Do you need to start humbly accepting help from others like a child?
2. Do you trust God with a simple faith, or do you question him with your doubts?
3. What is your joy level like in your life?