

Open Arms
“Opening Our Arms to God’s Kingdom”
Mark 10:15
June 13, 2010

1. How to Enter the Kingdom of God

- Understanding the Role of a King
Sovereign Owner
Ultimate Leader
- Surrendering Your Right to Rule
Repent
Believe
- Receiving the Kingdom of God

2. How to Receive the Kingdom of God

Like a Child Trusts

Like a Child Believes

Like a Child Depends

LifeGroup Questions: Applying the Teaching to Our Life

1. What are the most demanding “entrance requirements” (for a school, program, group, job, etc.) you’ve ever had to meet?
2. Read the following verses and as a group, list core characteristics of the Kingdom of God: Matthew 12:28, 21:31; Mark 1:15, 10:23-27, 12:32-34; Luke 6:20, 13:20-21; John 3:3-5.
3. If “kingdom” could be defined as what you own and lead, rule and have control over, list examples from everyday life that fit into this category for most people.
4. What are the reasons we struggle to surrender our “kingdom” to God’s Kingdom?
5. Where has “adult cynicism” crept into your life and hinders you from believing, trusting or depending on God like a child?
6. What part of “your kingdom” are you struggling to surrender to God?
7. Read and/or Pray Matthew 6:9-13, focusing especially on 6:10 and surrendering to God’s will in every area of your life.

Core CHRISTlike Characteristic: Living Surrendered