## Matthew 18

18:1-11 – The challenges of acquiring and maintaining faith.

Having saving faith requires a *child-like commitment*.

Having persevering faith does not come w/o challenges.

There will always be those who seek to destroy your faith.

There are severe consequences for those who *destroy faith*.

18:12-14 – God cares about those who stray from faith.

18:15-20 – How to deal with those in the church who sin.

There will be those in the church who refuse to <u>repent.</u>

The "you" here is probably directed toward the apostles.

18:21-35 – The most powerful teaching in Scripture on *forgiveness*.