

Parables
Week 2: The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard
Matthew 20:1-16

1. Do you believe that God has treated you fairly? What do you actually believe and feel?
2. What does this parable teach us about the nature of God's authority and his generosity in his Kingdom? How have you responded to God's authority and generosity in your life?
3. What does the parable reveal about your attitude towards others? Who do you have feelings of envy, resentment, or indifference towards? Whose success would you have trouble celebrating?
4. What action will you take this week in response to the parable? Consider the following pattern of response.
 - Identify your envy
 - Share your true feelings with Jesus
 - Meditate on the generosity of God (Psalm 63:1-8)
 - Replace your envy with an act of encouragement