

## Missionary Position – Free Gift

Weekend Discussion Questions

March 1-2, 2014

### Community:

1. When you were a kid, what was your favorite thing of your parents to play with/use?
2. Why do you think it is that kids innately think that their parents' house/food/rooms are "their" house/food/rooms?

### Core:

1. Sum up what you remember from the first two weeks of the series.
2. We looked at the position Jesus took in Philippians 2:3-8. How is that different from the typical position that we take?
3. Scott said: *"We are not lost and broken because of what we do. What we do is a symptom of being lost and broken. We are lost and broken because of who we are and what we are identified by apart from Jesus."* How have you experienced this to be true?
4. Adults are always trying to compare our position to others. Look at a story Jesus told in Luke 10-14. What do you think the people Jesus was talking to thought about Jesus' closing statement?
5. What's the moral of the story that Jesus told?
6. Read what happens shortly after Jesus tells the story, in Luke 18:15. Why do you think the disciples were trying to prevent the children from coming to Jesus?
7. Now, read Jesus' response in Luke 18:16-17. What does it mean that "the kingdom belongs to such as these"?
8. What does it mean to enter the kingdom like a little child?
9. The difference between children and adults is that adults think they must work for what they have...children just accept things like a gift. Scott put it this way: *"Jesus wants us to start thinking like children and stop thinking like contract labor."* How can we change that?
10. Why do you think that we feel like we have to earn God's love?

### Challenge:

1. The Jesus Storybook Bible (a kids' Bible we have available at church) describes God's love as "Never Stopping, Never Giving Up, Unbreaking, Always and Forever Love." Which one of those descriptions means the most to you? Why?
2. What's one step you can take to receive God's love each day?