



GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

At that time: Jesus told his disciples this parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market-place, and to them he said, "You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you." So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, "Why do you stand here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You go into the vineyard too."

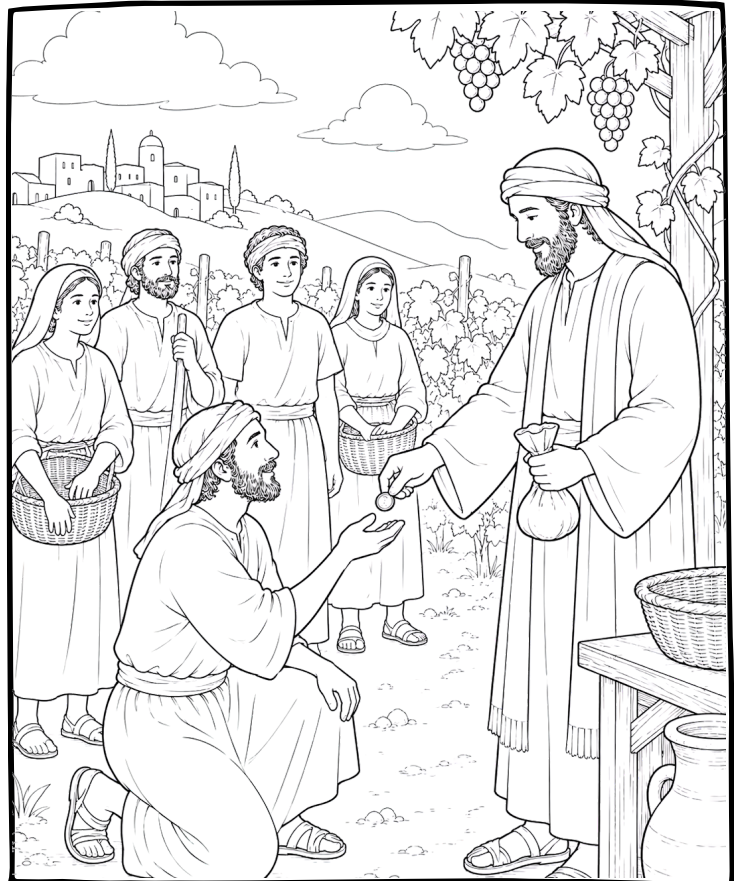
'And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, "Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first." And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?" So the last will be first, and the first last.'

WORD OF THE WEEK

DIALOGUE

PRAYER

To help you complete your Mission, write a prayer asking God to help you serve him during your day. You can pray this prayer each morning.



Your Mark 10 Mission is to pray each morning asking God to help you serve him during your day. If you make your day an act of service, you will build God's kingdom on earth.



WONDER QUESTIONS

How do you think the people left waiting in the marketplace felt when they were finally hired?

How might working for a generous landowner change the way you feel about the work?



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WHO IS SHE?

St Hildegard of Bingen was a remarkable nun who loved God deeply and used the many gifts He had given her. She was a writer, composer, artist, scientist and theologian, and from a young age she received visions which helped her see the beauty and harmony of God's creation. Hildegard was not afraid to speak up for what was right, even when it meant challenging powerful people, because she wanted everyone to know and love God. She reminds us that God gives each of us unique gifts and He wants us to use them bravely for His glory.

PRAYER

*O God,
who filled Saint Hildegard
with wisdom, wonder and a
deep love for your creation,
grant that, inspired by her
example, we may recognise
the gifts you have given us
and use them courageously
for your glory.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

SAINT MISSION

St Hildegard had a great love for God's creation. Her writings often spoke about the life and goodness God gives to the world. Your mission is to go outside this week and spend five quiet minutes noticing God's creation. Find something beautiful like a tree, flower, bird, cloud or even a tiny insect. Thank God for creating it. Then make something beautiful inspired by what you saw: a drawing, poem, song, photograph, prayer or piece of art.