October 20 Questions

| 1) | The disciples began to argue about who was the greatest soon after Jesus told them about his |
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| | coming Jesus was thinking of suffering and ; the disciples were thinking of |
| | prestige and Jesus spoke of laying down his; the disciples spoke of gaining |
| | future As an object lesson, Jesus called a little and set him in their midst. |
| | "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of |
| | heaven" (Matt 18:3). Jesus was not calling them to childishness of thought, but to of |
| | mind, for children are not caught up in debates over greatness, nor do they have lofty dreams of |
| | power. This teaches us that is defined in terms of humility. The model for true |
| | discipleship is the simple humility of a child. In the same way that a child exemplifies a lack of |
| | and concern for, we must put thoughts of greatness aside and labor to serve |
| | others. When Jesus wanted to illustrate, he told his disciples about a man who |
| | had been forgiven a great He wanted them to understand that they should forgive others |
| | because had forgiven them. When we refuse to forgive, we God's forgiveness |
| | and His love. Is there anyone we need to forgive? |