* What are the big themes of the passage? Who is it written for, and in what context are we supposed to read it?
* What qualities do you think are important to be seen in the individuals of a community of believers?
* 1-4 (Humility): What does it mean for us to become like little children?
* 5-6 (Welcome): What is the general interpretation of “little ones”?
  + What does it mean for us in the church?
* 7-9 (Wholeheartedness): How do we avoid being stumbling blocks to ourselves?
  + To others?
  + How about its application to the church?
* 10-14 (Pastoral care): When you hear this parable, how would you interpret it (Luke 15:3-7)?
  + In the context of the passage (especially remembering what we’ve said about the ‘little ones’, what is the meaning of this parable?
* 15-20 (Openness):
  + (15-7) What is the process for giving criticism? Almost seems intuitive!
  + (19-20) What is the manner in which we give criticism?
  + What is the desired response when we bring criticism?
    - Listen: 15, 16, 17
  + What is the correct context of v19-20?
    - What is the promise for prayer in that context?
    - What encouragement can we take from this in our situations?
  + What does Jesus mean by telling his disciples to treat an excluded leader or member as a pagan or tax collector?
* 21-22 (forgiveness): what is the implication of forgiveness?
  + Why is forgiveness such an important ingredient of church life?
* 23-35 (freedom to forgive): how does this story drive home the message of the last two sections?