

# Children's Ministry



January 24<sup>th</sup> || Matthew 5:1-20

Main Point: **Only Jesus is perfect, like God demands**

(Try to repeat the main point several times.)

Ask the kids if they know what it means to be holy. To be holy means to be completely separate from sin. It means perfection.

Example of holiness:

Show the kids the paint chip labeled "4" (label is on the back). Ask them what color it is. (Hopefully, they say white!) Show them each paint chip in reverse order (3, 2, then 1). What color do they say each paint chip is? Do they want to change their answers about any chips after they have seen the others? At the end, ask the kids which chip seems to be totally white. This is like holiness. Holiness is not being better than other people. Holiness is being totally perfect. It's like the pure white chip.

Are any of us perfect?

If God demands perfection, and we are not, what can we do?

(See "Driving it Home...")

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"He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."—2 Corinthians 5:21

God demands perfection, and we are sinners. He must punish all sin. But through Jesus, God has our sins punished on Him, and all of his righteousness (holiness/perfection) is placed upon us. God demands perfection and Jesus is perfect. And He offers, through believing in Jesus' death and resurrection for our sins, that we can have Jesus' perfection applied to us. Then, when God looks at me, He sees perfection, because He sees Jesus!