steps for reconciliation or judgment God's authority behind church's (proper) actions Parable of Unforgiving Servant (18:21-35) believers must be ready to forgive far beyond normal expectation compare situation to that of two debtors strong statement at end (35) Teaching about Divorce (19:1-12) Pharisees ask about lawful reasons for divorce Jesus: don't break what God has joined Pharisees: what about Moses command? (Dt 24:1) Jesus: a permission; for hardness of heart; not at beginning; divorce & adultery disciples: better not to marry! Jesus: not everyone can handle this! Little Children Blessed (19:13-15) Jesus' response to disciples' rebukes Rich Young Man (19:16-30) Jesus: keep commandments to enter life fellow: have kept everything Jesus: to be complete, give away your property fellow leaves Jesus: hard for rich to enter k of heaven disciples: we've left everything; what do we get? Jesus: 100x as much! but 1st last ... Parable of Vineyard Workers (20:1-16) picture of God's grace in rewards and how mercenary attitudes rewarded explains 1st last ... Jesus Foretells Death & Resurrection Third Time (20:17-19) Matt (Mk & Lk) emphasize that disciples told in advance Request of James and John (20:20-28) mother involved too; not sure who is driving force Jesus: can they drink the cup? disciples angry (J & J trying to pull a fast one?) Jesus gives proper leadership attitudes Healing Two Blind Men (20:29-34) two (vs Mark and Luke) going out (Mt & Mk vs Lk) recognize his Messiahship

The Last Week (chs 21-23)

Jesus show compassion