

## Matthew 20 Study Guide

Chapter 20 is about competition. Competition is everywhere in life. We compete in school for the best grades. We compete in sports and video games. Even Jesus' disciples were competitive. And most of our competition is what is called zero sum competition. That means if one person wins another person must lose.

**READ.** What was the prize the disciples wanted to win? \_\_\_\_\_

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If they were to win, who would lose? \_\_\_\_\_

**THINK.** What kinds of things are you competitive about? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you think competition is good or bad? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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Which disciple do you think deserved to win the prize of being able to sit at Jesus' right hand? (That would be like being second in command to the king.) Why?

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**READ.** If competition is not the attitude that should motivate us according to Jesus, what is?

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**APPLY.** Can that attitude be applied to things that are by nature competitive, like sports? Could it be applied to the job you are in or to school? What would be different about how you live if you followed Jesus' instruction?

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