



GRACE: LOOKING FOR FAIRNESS

SERMON NOTES

I. The Workers Said “It’s Not Fair”

The owner hires the workers (Vs. 1-7)

The owner pays the workers (Vs. 8-10)

The workers complain to the owner (Vs. 11-12)

The owner responds to the workers (Vs. 13-15)

II. We Say “It’s Not Fair”

We say “look at my pedigree”

We say “look at my performance”

We say “look at my persistence”

III. God Says “It’s Not Fair”

Grace is received not deserved. (Vs. 10b)

Grace is about mercy not fairness. (Vs. 12)

Grace is for the last as well as the first. (Vs. 19:30, 20:16)

Living This Message - Layers of Meaning

The first layer is about hired workers
struggling with generosity.

A deeper layer is about the Twelve
struggling with insecurity.

A deeper layer is about the Jews
struggling with the exclusivism.

The deepest layer is about you and me
struggling with the grace.