

## Reflection Saturday Week 19 – 2023

The parents who brought their children to Jesus wanted Jesus to lay his hands upon them. They knew of Jesus' healing power, both physical and spiritual, which came from his touch. Jesus rebuked his disciples for hindering the children from coming. The disciples may have wanted to shield Jesus from the nuisance of noisy children. But Jesus delighted in the children and demonstrated that God's love has ample room for everyone, including children. No one is unimportant to God. He comes to each person individually and uniquely that he might touch them with his healing love and power. Do you show kindness to the young people you encounter in your neighbourhood, home, and church? And do you pray for them that they may grow in the knowledge and wisdom of Jesus Christ?

*Lord Jesus, may we never hinder our children from coming to you to receive your blessing, instruction, and healing power. Make our young people strong in faith and in character that they may follow you zealously. And as we grow with age, may we never lose that child-like simplicity and humility which draws us into your loving presence.*