

# War Stories #2 The Foolishness of God By Louie Marsh, 9-1-2019

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Then he said to them, "I can guarantee this truth: Unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes like this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 18:3-4 (GW)

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### 6) What foolish thing is Jesus calling me to do next?

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