

Kingdom Builders: ChildHope Matthew 18:1-14 (NLT)

1. Jesus values children. (Matthew 18:4 NLT)

“A world where **333 million children live in extreme poverty** – deprived not only of basic needs, but also dignity, opportunity, and hope is **simply intolerable.**”

The reality of poverty:

- 64.5 million children in Latin America and the Caribbean are living in poverty.
- 45% of Latin Americans under the age of 18 live in poverty.
- 2 in 3 children in Latin America and the Caribbean experience violence at home.

2. Jesus takes the care and safety of children seriously. (Matthew 18:5-6 NLT)

Chicas de Promesa (Girls of Promise) offers girls a safe place to go and teaches them to see themselves the way God does – as people of incredible worth and purpose.

Chicos Programs (Champions for Change) raises up boys to be a countercultural force in their homes and communities and teaches them to find their identity in Christ and respect themselves and the women around them.

Matthew 18:14 (NLT) In the same way, **it is not my heavenly Father's will** that even one of these little ones should perish.