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At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do. "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." Then he turned to his disciples and said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see. For I tell you that many prophets and kings wanted to see what you see but did not

see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it." (Luke 10: 21-24)

The smallness Jesus alludes to is the poverty of spirit the humble show in being aware that all riches - material, intellectual and spiritual - are actually gifts from God and which cannot brought with them beyond the grave. One day Jesus will ask us how we have "invested" the gifts and fortunes He gave us. What will our answer be?