The Will of the Father

[Matthew 18:10-14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+18%3A10-14+&version=ESV)

Key Verse 14: “So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.”

1. What is a little one being compared to in this passage?
2. What do you think it means to despise a little one? What could an example be?
3. Verse 10 says “Do not despise one of these little ones.” Why do you think we may have a tendency to despise little ones?
4. Why do you think the shepherd rejoices when he finds the one that went astray more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray?
5. What is the will of the Father in heaven regarding the little ones?
6. How can we be more like the shepherd and our Father in heaven based on today’s passage?
7. How might verses 10-14 be connected to verses 1-9?