



Mark: A Journey with Jesus || Rich Young Ruler

Mark 10:17-27

For three weeks, we have been dealing with some challenging topics such as sin and repentance, divorce and remarriage, and now wealth.

- *Why do you think these topics are difficult or scary for people (both believers and non-believers) to discuss?*

Read together as a group Mark 10:17-27 and choose at least two different translations

- *What do you think the rich young ruler was hoping that Christ would say to him?*
- *How would you explain to someone what Jesus meant by saying that it's harder for a camel to go through the eye of the needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God?*

Jesus isn't saying that rich people can't go to heaven. He is addressing a deeper need that all men and women struggle with and that are trying to fill the void in their life with something besides Christ.

- *What would you say is the main thing that you have struggled with or are struggling with now to fill that void that can only be filled by a relationship with Christ?*
- *What can you do on a daily basis to help keep Christ at the center of your life and filling that void?*

The irony of this passage is that Jesus was the rich young ruler at one time and He gave up everything to be obedient to what His Heavenly Father called Him to do. He relates to what this young ruler is going through and He loves him just the same.

- *Give yourself a heart check this week by asking if you give extravagantly? Do you fear living off of less than what you are used to? Do you look at people and ask do they make more and work less, which causes you to envy them?*
- *How will you let yourself be moved by God to trust Him and let Him be your everything?*