



## Rich Young Ruler

June 26

**INTRODUCTION:** En route to Jerusalem, Jesus is revealing more of why He came and what it means to follow Him as part of His Kingdom. He is the suffering servant and His followers must display complete humility and surrender. In today's contrast we see just what is needed to enter the Kingdom.

**REVIEW:** The Bible Project, Mark (be cautious with other videos)

**KEY POINT:** humility, Kingdom, works, idols, life

**A.M. SERMON RECAP** (Luke 14:25–35- 'Jesus and His Disciples', Andrew Versteeg)

- Why can pulpit swaps be useful?
- What is the context of this passage?
- What is a disciple? What does Jesus require to be a disciple?
- How are we to count the cost?
- How can we apply the teachings of this passage to our life?

**P.M. SERMON RECAP** (Mk 10:1—12, Divorce)

- How were they seeking to entrap Jesus?
- How did Jesus bring them back to the beginning?
- Is our focus to be on loopholes or commitment?
- What do those need to know considering marriage/divorce?

**READ:** Mark 10:13—31

### QUESTIONS:

The Children (vv.13–16)

1. *Blessing children was known amongst the Rabbis (c.f. Simeon and Anna, Lk 2)*
2. **Why were the disciples minding Jesus? Who did they think should take precedence in the Kingdom or of Jesus' valuable time?**
3. *V. 14a- indignant, the only time this is used. Jesus is not always 'gentle Jesus.'* How could He be angry and not sin?

4. *With child-like faith, 1/3 of all Christians trust in Jesus as a child.*
5. **V. 14b- Since children are not innocent(!), see Ps 51:5, what is this verse saying. How must we be like children to enter the Kingdom? What did the adults/Pharisees (or the world) see entrance being based upon?**

The Rich Young Ruler [traditional term] (vv. 17–31)

6. **V. 17-What does this man have going for him?**
7. **Yet, what is on his mind?**
8. **V. 18-How do we know Jesus is not saying He isn't God? Instead, how is He challenging this man's understanding of Jesus?**
9. *To earn our salvation, we'd have to be able to keep the whole law that Adam broke. Why is this impossible?*
10. *V. 19- To answer His question, Jesus quotes almost all of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the 10 Commandments. Which does He [intentionally] neglect?*
11. *The man seems sincere, and Jesus encourages him as being close to the Kingdom.*
12. **V. 21–22- What is the secret to gaining everything/being saved/eternal life/entering the Kingdom?**
13. *How are all these terms, used here, synonyms?*
14. **More than giving up wealth, what is needed to enter?**
15. **Like Mk 8:34–35, what won't this man offer?**
16. *The disciples are amazed and so in private ask...*
17. **V. 23- How can wealth be a significant impediment to humility? (c.f. 1 Ti 6:10). However, how is Jesus speaking more broadly than just wealth?**
18. *V. 25- Camel/needle. This is a picture of the impossibility but also what is needed. What must we give up to follow Jesus?*
19. **V. 27- How and why is salvation a miracle of grace?**
20. *Connecting with Genesis, how is humility the only way to reverse the Fall and restore the peace our pride destroyed?*
21. **V. 29–30- The great reversal. How much more do we gain in this life an the next, by humbly following Jesus?**
22. **V. 31- Why is this refrain a usual summary of Jesus?**

**NEXT WEEK:** July 3- Blind Bartimaeus, Mk 10:46–52