

The Rich Young Ruler



Refer to Mark 10 v 17-22

1) Describe what happened in this incident



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2) What was the mistake the rich young man made when he came to Jesus?

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The young man had led an upright kind of life - keeping the rules.

3) Is this enough to get us to Heaven?



4) What matters more to God?

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Read what Jesus said to him in verse 21. 5) What did the young man need to see about himself?

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Do you ever examine your own heart? Do you really think, deep down, that you are good enough for Heaven yourself? Even if you keep all the rules, the Bible teaches us that just one little sin is enough to keep us out of Heaven! How much we need the Lord Jesus to wash our hearts clean.

The real test

So our rich young ruler thought he was ok. But when Jesus put him to the test, he realised that he did not put God first in his life. What was more important to him?

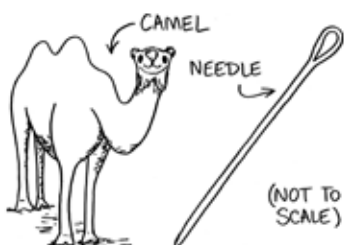
What is most important to you, honestly? A good test is to ask yourself – “What if God asked me to give up my (put in your most precious possession or hobby here)?”



Does loving and serving God mean more than anything else to you?

Read Mark 10 v 23-27

What picture does Jesus use to help us understand just how impossible it is for a person to make themselves presentable to God?



Praise God that Jesus added verse 27! God can do what we can't! He can save us.

