

Confronting Jesus: The Young and the Restless

Luke 18:18-30

Luke 18:18 (CSB)

A ruler asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Luke 18:19 (CSB)

"Why do you call Me good?" Jesus asked him. "No one is good except God alone.

Luke 18:20 (CSB)

You know the commandments: Do not commit adultery; do not murder; do not steal; do not bear false witness; honor your father and mother."

Luke 18:21 (CSB)

"I have kept all these from my youth," he said.

Luke 18:22 (CSB)

When Jesus heard this, He told him, "You still lack one thing: Sell all you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow Me."

Luke 18:23 (CSB)

After he heard this, he became extremely sad, because he was very rich.

Luke 18:24 (CSB)

Seeing that he became sad, Jesus said, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!

Luke 18:25 (CSB)

For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God."

Luke 18:26 (CSB)

Those who heard this asked, "Then who can be saved?"

Luke 18:27 (CSB)

He replied, "What is impossible with man is possible with God."

Luke 18:28 (CSB)

Then Peter said, "Look, we have left what we had and followed You."

Luke 18:29 (CSB)

So He said to them, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left a house, wife or brothers or sisters, parents or children because of the kingdom of God,

Luke 18:30 (CSB)

who will not receive many times more at this time, and eternal life in the age to come."

Matthew 6:19 (CSB)

Don't store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal.

Matthew 6:20 (CSB)

But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves don't break in and steal.

Matthew 6:21 (CSB)

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:24 (CSB)

No one can serve two masters, since either he will hate one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Psalm 130:3 (CSB)

Lord, if You kept an account of iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

Psalm 130:4 (CSB)

But with You there is forgiveness, so that You may be revered.”

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold
I'd rather be His than have riches untold
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands
I'd rather be led by His nail pierced hand

Than to be a king of a vast domain
Or be held in sin's dread sway
I'd rather have Jesus than anything
This world affords today