

Mark 10:17-19

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good--except God alone.

You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"

Mark 10:20-21

"Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

Mark 10:22-24

At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!

Mark 10:25-27

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."

Mark 10:28-31

Peter said to him, "We have left everything to follow you!"

"I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields--and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life.

But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

MAN'S RELIGION

(Mark 10:17-23 NIV) As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Man's religion is based upon what man can do. God's religion is based on what God has <u>done</u>.

Not by works

(Eph 2:8-9 NIV) For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--not by works, so that no one can boast.

Gift of God

(Rom 6:23 NIV) For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

WHO IS IN CHARGE?

(Mark 10:18 NIV) "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good-except God alone.

All have sinned

(Rom 3:12 NIV) All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one."

We can not make up our own system of salvation, we must accept <u>God's</u>.

REPENTANCE

(Mark 10:21 NIV) Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

We must repent

(Mat 4:17 NIV) From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."

Repent means turn around

(Acts 2:38 NIV) Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you,

Jesus isn't the means to the solution, He is the <u>solution</u>.

Hard for a rich man

(Mark 10:23 NIV) Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"

Worship God alone

(Luke 4:8 NIV) Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

A PERSON TO RECEIVE

(Mark 10:21 NIV) Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

When we become a Christian we obey a person not a system of <u>rules</u>.

Don't murder

(Mat 5:21-22 NIV) "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to his brother, 'Raca, ' is answerable to the Sanhedrin. But anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

Do not commit adultery

(Mat 5:27-28 NIV) "You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

GOD REWARDS

(Mark 10:29-30 NIV) "I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields--and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life.

God rewards us according to his plan, not according to our <u>desires</u>.

