

JESUS TEACHES HOW TO INHERIT ETERNAL LIFE

Matthew 19:16-30

Key verse 21

“Jesus answered, ‘If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.’”

1. Who came to Jesus and with what question (16, 22)? Why might a rich young man ask this? Picking up on “good”, how did Jesus redirect him, and what must he do to enter life (17)?
2. Which commandments did Jesus mention (18-19)? Why did he emphasize “love your neighbor as yourself”? What does the man’s answer show about him (20)?
3. Read verse 21. What specific command and invitation did Jesus give this man? What was it he lacked? How does following Jesus lead us to enter life? What did the man do and why (22)?
4. What did Jesus teach his disciples (23-24)? Why did he use hyperbole? What effect did this have on the disciples, and how did they respond (25)? How can anyone be saved (26)?
5. What did Peter declare and ask (27)? What promise did Jesus give the Twelve (28)? What does Jesus promise to everyone who has left something or someone for Jesus’ sake (29)? What does verse 30 mean? How can we inherit eternal life (16:24-26)?