

## Mark 10: 13 - 52

### Let the Children Come to Me

13 And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. 14 But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” 16 And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

### The Rich Young Man

17 And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” 18 And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. 19 You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” 20 And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” 21 And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” 22 Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. 23 And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” 24 And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 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.” 26 And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” 27 Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” 28 Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” 29 Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, 30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

### Jesus Foretells His Death a Third Time

32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, 33 saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. 34 And they will mock him and spit on him and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”

### The Request of James and John

35 And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” 36 And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” 37 And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at

your left, in your glory.” 38Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” 39And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, 40but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” 41And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. 42And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,44and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. 45For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

**Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus**

46 And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. 47And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” 48And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” 49And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart. Get up; he is calling you.” 50And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And

the blind man said to him, “Rabbi, let me recover my sight.” 52And Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well.” and immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

**Opening Discussion Questions**

- a. Have you ever signed up for something or taken a job and then discovered it wasn't what you thought it was, good or bad?

**Bible Study Questions**

1. Why do you think they were bringing the children to Jesus? Why do you think the Disciples rebuked the people that were bringing the children to Jesus? Why do you think Jesus was indignant with the disciples? Matt.19:13-15, Luke 18:15-17

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2. What is it that the young man asked of Jesus? Why do you think Jesus answered him with that rhetorical question? Do you see Jesus as God or just one of many prophets or teachers? Matt. 19:16 – 22, Luk 18:18-23

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3. Which of the 10 commandments did Jesus not mention? Which Ones had the young man probably had not or would not keep? Exo. 20 1-17,

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4. Did Jesus mean the saying about the camel and the eye of a needle literally? Does it matter?

Did he share the deeper truth with the disciples? Luke 6 :19-20, Matt 6:24 Mark 10:26-27.

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5. Why did Jesus foretell the disciples what would happen? This was the third time he told them of his fate, were they prepared? Mark 8:31, Mark 9:30-32, Mark 10:32

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6. What were the brothers, James and John, thinking when they asked to sit on Jesus' left and right hand? Is worldly honor like Kingdom honor? How is it different? Was Jesus leading by example? Luke 12:35-48.

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7. It was obvious that Bartimaeus was blind but Jesus asked him, just like the rich ruler and and the sons of Zebedee, "What did he want from Jesus?" What was his response?

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8. Which one of the people in this chapter are you most like today? People bring the babies to Christ, babies being brought to Christ, following the law but not willing to part with earthly possessions or positions for the kingdom, ready to leave it all and to be a servant to follow Christ for what he has done for you? Are you willing to become more like Jesus?

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