

Insights from Luke

#71: "Counsel Given to the Rich Young Ruler"

Luke 18:15-27

**Luke 18:15**

"<sup>15</sup> And they were bringing even their babies to Him so that He would touch them, but when the disciples saw it, they began rebuking them."

**Luke 18:16-17**

"<sup>16</sup> But Jesus called for them, saying, 'Permit the children to come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. <sup>17</sup> Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it at all.'"

**Luke 18:18**

"<sup>18</sup> A ruler questioned Him, saying, 'Good Teacher, what **shall I do** to inherit eternal life?'"

**Luke 18:19**

"<sup>19</sup> And Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone.'"

**Luke 18:20**

"<sup>20</sup> 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**

“<sup>21</sup> And he said, ‘All these things I have kept from my youth.’”

**Luke 18:22**

“<sup>22</sup> When Jesus heard this, He said to him, ‘One thing you still lack; sell all that you possess and distribute it to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.’”

**Luke 18:23**

“<sup>23</sup> But when he had heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich.”

**Luke 18:24-25**

“<sup>24</sup> And Jesus looked at him and said, ‘How hard it is for those who are wealthy to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> For 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.’”

**Luke 18:26-27**

“<sup>26</sup> They who heard it said, ‘Then who can be saved?’ <sup>27</sup> But He said, ‘The things that are impossible with people are possible with God.’”

**Jesus’ comment**

**“whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it at all”**

**reminds us of our utter dependence upon God.**

**Surrendering to Christ  
means putting  
everything on the table.**

**Can camels go through  
an eye of a needle?  
No, they can't.**

**God is the God of the impossible.**