

Lesson V. JESUS SETS NEW STANDARDS OF LIVING May 5, 1918

Mark 10: 17-27. Study Mark 10: 1-31. *Scripture Memory Verse, Matt. 9: 26.

Golden Text—Seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.—Matthew 6: 33 (Rev. Ver.).

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17 And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?

18 And Je'sus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is none good but one, that is, God.*

19 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

20 And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth.

21 Then Je'sus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.

23 And Je'sus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Je'sus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for

them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

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

26 And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?

27 And Je'sus looking upon them saith, With men *it is impossible*, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.

THE LESSON RETOLD

One day as Jesus was walking along the street, a young man came running toward him. Jesus knew as soon as he looked at him that he was one of the rich people of that land. He ran so fast and seemed so anxious to get to Jesus! What could he want? Surely he had everything his heart could wish for. He had everything that money could buy. Ah! That was just the trouble. He wanted something that he could not buy with money. He was not happy, for he was selfish and would not give any of his money to the poor.

He kneeled at Jesus' feet and said, "Good Master, what must I do that I may have eternal life?" That was something that he could not buy because it is a gift from God to those who seek it.

Jesus asked the rich young prince if he knew God's laws: Do not be impure; Do not kill; Do not steal; Do not tell lies; Do not be dishonest; Honor thy father and thy mother. "Oh yes," said the rich young prince, "I know all those laws and have obeyed them ever since I was a little boy."

Jesus liked this young prince, and longed

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