

LESSON 10
TRUE RICHES
LUKE 18:1—19:27



1 What does a single person give up when he/she gets married?

2 Why would a person willingly give all that up for marriage?



Read Luke 18:1—19:27 and the following notes:

☐ 18:18ff ☐ 18:22, 23 ☐ 18:24–27 ☐ 19:8 ☐ 19:11ff ☐ 19:20–27

3 Why did the rich man go away sad (18:18–23)?

4 Why did Zacchaeus receive Christ's forgiveness (19:1–10)?

5 Based on each man's past, which of them would seem to be the most likely to follow Christ (18:20, 21; 19:2, 7)? Why?

6 What does God want us to do with our money and other resources (19:11–27)?

The rich young man came to Jesus confident of his religious credentials, but he went away sad because he didn't love Christ as much as he loved his money. In contrast, Zacchaeus was willing to pay any price to follow Christ, even if it meant paying back four times the amount he had extorted. When confronted by Christ, each of these men made a choice about money—one served it; the other used it to serve God. Money can be either our master or our servant, but it cannot be both. When we choose to serve God with our money and resources, we gain the proper perspective and free ourselves from the tyranny of greed.



7 Why is money so important to some people?

8 In addition to money, what else can easily take God's place in people's lives today?

9 In what ways are you like the rich young man?



10 In what ways are you like Zacchaeus?

11 Name one thing that would be difficult for you to give up to follow Christ.

12 What resources can you invest for the Kingdom?

13 How can you invest them?

14 How will you use your money and possessions to serve God this week?



A Why is it important to persist in prayer (18:1–8)? How can you be more persistent in your prayer life?

B What is the difference between the prayer of the Pharisee and the prayer of the tax collector (18:9–14)? Why was the tax collector justified? How can you make your prayers more like his?

C Why did Jesus welcome the little children (18:15–17)? How can we come to God as “little children”?

D How did Jesus answer the rich man’s question “What should I do to get eternal life?” (18:18–22). Why was this answer difficult for the man to accept (18:23, 24)? What barriers can stand in the way of your willingness to do what God wants?

E What did Jesus predict would happen to him (18:31–34)? Why were the disciples surprised when Jesus rose from the dead? What statement of Jesus’ have you just recently understood?

F What did the blind beggar ask for (18:41)? What did he receive (18:42, 43)? How did this affect the man (18:43)? What blessings has God given you that inspire you to respond as this man did? How can you show that response this week?

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