

TO INHERIT ETERNAL LIFE

Luke 18:18-30

Key Verse: 18:22

"When Jesus heard this, he said to him, 'You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.'"

Study Questions:

1. Read verse 18. What can we know about the man who came to Jesus? (18,20,21) What does his question show about his real problem? (Mk 8:36, 37) What did he say to Jesus? What did Jesus say to him? (Ps 135:3)
2. Which commandments did Jesus ask him about? Why did he ask him about the commandments concerning the love of neighbors? What does his reply show about him? What was the one thing this man lacked?
3. Why did Jesus tell him to sell everything and give to the poor? What did Jesus want him to know about loving God and loving neighbors? (Jn 15:13,14) How can we have treasure in heaven? (22; Mt 13:44-46; Mt 11:29-30; Jn 8:31,32)
4. How did this young man respond to Jesus' invitation? (23-25) Why must we love Jesus first and be his disciples? Read verses 26-30. Why did Jesus' disciples respond this way? What promise did Jesus give? Who is truly rich and who is poor?