

The Gospel of Luke

Is God Enough?

Luke 18:18-30

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Also Matthew 19:16-30 & Mark 10:17:31

1. Key observations from the text:

- We are more _____ the rich young ruler than we want to _____. Matthew 19:22
- _____ led the way with Jesus. Mark 10:21
- If you do not receive Jesus as _____, you will not inherit _____ life. John 14:6

2. What the Bible says about money:

(2 Corinthians 8-9; 1 Timothy 6; Proverbs)

- **Do:** Work—Give to God—Enjoy—Save—Be generous
- **Don't:** Love it—Put hope in it—Be a slave to it

4. Bringing this truth home in our own lives:

- What are my greatest _____? Luke 18:23
- What are my greatest _____? Matthew 6:33-34
- What, if lost would leave me in _____? Luke 18:28-30

Psalm 27:13

I would have despaired unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. (NAS)

FURTHER STUDY

1. If an idol would be “anything that takes precedence in your life over the One true God,” then what are the potential idols in your life?
2. Getting rid of the “idols” in our life does not mean to diminish our pursuit of excellence in work. How do the following passages reinforce this truth?

Proverbs 14:23-24
Colossians 3:23-24

Ecclesiastes 10:10
Ephesians 2:10

3. How do the following verses help us evaluate our pursuit of success and ensure that we're keeping our priorities in order?

Philippians 3:7-14
Proverbs 3:3-4

Philippines 4:10-13
Matthew 22:34-39

⇒ Are there any adjustments you need to make?

4. How do the following verses help us keep our perspective of money and wealth in balance?

Deuteronomy 8:18
Luke 12:15

Ecclesiastes 5:19
1 Timothy 6:17-18

5. How will this study help you to keep all things in your life in clear perspective and God as your “first love”?
6. Read the following passages and discuss them in the light of that truth and the reality of our everyday lives as Christian men and women.

Exodus 20:3-4

Revelation 2:2-5