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Why do the disciples try to keep the children from Jesus?

What does this reveal about their hearts?

Why should they have known better?

Why does Jesus respond in anger and indignation toward the disciples?

What is the parallel with Mk 9:38-41?

What do Jesus' actions and attitude toward the little kids reveal about both the Kingdom of God and the nature of who God is?

What is the rich man in the story seeking?

Why does he come to Jesus?

How does Jesus receive the man?

What is the basic failure of the rich man?

How do you react to what Jesus says in vs 23-25?

Is he serious?

Why do so many people try to soften what Jesus says?

What are the implications of his teaching?

While the scriptures acknowledge that wealth can be a blessing from God, they also repeatedly warn of the dangers of wealth. Why are riches (possessions & money) so deadly? How do we become a people who live in right relationship to material possessions and wealth?

Compare and contrast the little kids and the rich man. What does this teach us?

The paradox of free salvation is that it costs us everything - we must surrender all and come to Jesus empty-handed in order to receive the inheritance of the Kingdom. Is there anything standing between you and full surrender to Jesus? Is there anything keeping you from loving God with your whole heart (money, possessions, status, other desires, other loyalties, etc.)? If so, Jesus lovingly invites you to "repent and believe." Pray and ask the Holy Spirit for the power to live in full surrender to Jesus knowing that in Him is the fullness of eternal life.

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