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# "Have You Left Earthly Treasures for THE Treasure?"

# MATTHEW 19:16-29



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"Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee. Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be. Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known. Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own."

"Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior, too. Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not, like man, untrue. And while Thou shalt smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might, Foes may hate and friends may shun me, show Thy face and all is bright."

"Man may trouble and distress me, 'twill but drive me to Thy breast. Life with trials hard may press me; heaven will bring me sweeter rest. Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me while Thy love is left to me; Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with Thee."

"Haste then on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer, Heaven's eternal days before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there. Soon shall close thy earthly mission, swift shall pass thy pilgrim days; Hope soon change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise."



#### We cannot follow <u>Jesus</u> without paying a <u>price</u>.



#### "...all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus WILL BE persecuted,"





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"The picture thus drawn of the young ruler is really pathetic: so eager to do the good thing, so desirous of life eternal (whereas so many young men are carried away by the world), so strongly attracted to Jesus–and yet so far from the right road to eternal life."

# R.C.H. Lenski, Matthew



"You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

#### Matthew 5:48



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Obedience doesn't save; obedience proves salvation.

Eternal life is connected with obedience, but it doesn't depend on our obedience.

Eternal life depends on Jesus (II Corinthians 5:21).



"The man who believes will obey; failure to obey is convincing proof that there is not true faith present."

A.W. Tozer, Man: The Dwelling Place of God

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"<sup>1</sup> He entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. <sup>3</sup> And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. <sup>4</sup> So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. <sup>5</sup> And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.'

### Luke 19:1-9

"... <sup>6</sup> So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. <sup>7</sup>And when they saw it, they all grumbled, 'He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.'<sup>8</sup> And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, 'Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold.'<sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham."

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• He is not saying that money is bad.

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"<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life."

# I Timothy 6:17-19



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II. By Loving Jesus <u>Unreservedly</u> (vs. 27-29) How Can We Know For Sure About Our Salvation?



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- 1. What do you value most?
- 2. What would you hate the most to lose?
- 3. <u>Where do your thoughts turn the most often when you are</u> <u>free to think?</u>
- 4. What brings you the greatest pleasure?

Testing Whether Your Love for Jesus Is Supreme