

## **Mark's Gospel—Jesus' True Identity Reveals the Magnitude of His Sacrifice**

10:30 Morning Worship Service:

Mark 10:17-31

### **Wealth and the Kingdom of God**

*Jesus Restores Our Inheritance.*

- 1. Jesus Alone Can Secure Our Future (17-22).**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 2. Wealth Can Rob Us of Child-Like Dependence (23-27).**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 3. Jesus Is Our Generous King Who Has Secured Us Forever (28-31).**

*“He Is No Fool Who Gives Up What He Cannot Keep  
to Gain That Which He Cannot Lose.” —Jim Elliot*

Conclusion: : Jesus doesn't need our money. He recognizes that in our sinful rebellion the pursuit of wealth is a trap. We wear ourselves out in an endless pursuit that never satisfies and always disappoints. He offers us instead enjoyment of Him to whom all things properly belong and freedom from the hamster wheel of false promises. He restores to His people the fullness of our birthright, that we sold to the Deceiver, so that as co-heirs with Christ, we might enjoy all the riches of His Creation for His Glory.

### **Ecclesiastes 5:10**

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

### **First Timothy 6:6-10**

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain, <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, and *we cannot take anything out of the world*. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. <sup>9</sup> But *those who desire to be rich fall into temptation*, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

### **First Timothy 6:17-19**

<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.

### **Matthew 6:19-21**

<sup>19</sup> “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

### **Hebrews 13:5-6**

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “*I will never leave you nor forsake you.*” So we can confidently say, “The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?”

### **Deuteronomy 31:7-8**

Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, “Be strong and courageous, for you shall go with this people into the land that *the Lord has sworn to their fathers to give them*, and you shall put them in possession of it. It is the Lord who goes before you. *He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you.* Do not fear or be dismayed.”

### **Exodus 32:13**

“Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that *I have promised I will give to your offspring*, and *they shall inherit it forever.*’”