

LIVING FAITH | THE RICH RULER

Luke 18:18-30

March 22, 2020

GROUP DISCUSSION

THE BIG IDEA: LIVING FAITH SEES JESUS AS FAR MORE VALUABLE THAN ANYTHING THIS LIFE COULD GIVE OR DEATH COULD TAKE.

MINISTER THE WORD TO EACH OTHER

1. Let us begin our time together by encouraging each other with God's Word. What is a passage you have been calling to mind this week? Read it or quote it and let us know how it's been meaningful to you.

Icebreaker: Micah asked our kids about their favorite toy. What was your favorite toy growing up?

ETERNAL LIFE CANNOT BE EARNED (18:18-22)

1. This passage is all about how to attain eternal life. How did you get saved? If you are comfortable, take a few moments to share with the group.
2. If someone were to ask you "how do I inherit eternal life?" What would you say?
Look at Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 10:9-10
3. The Law is meant to reveal to us our need for a savior. How has God used His law to help you realize your need for the Savior?

ETERNAL LIFE COMES ONLY THROUGH JESUS (18:23-28)

1. In what ways has God used these recent events to reveal your tendencies to trust in your wealth and not in Him? How have the current events prompted you to rely more on Jesus?
2. "Eternal life comes only through Jesus" is a truth we all know. But in what ways does your heart still struggle to fully believe this? In what areas of your life are you tempted to try to earn or contribute to your salvation?

ETERNAL LIFE IS WORTH FAR MORE THAN IT COULD EVER COST (18:28-30)

1. Beyond simply being there, what eternal rewards are you most looking forward to? What do you dream about and long to do in heaven? Read revelation 5 together for a great picture of Heaven!
2. Micah quoted *Jim Elliot*: "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose." What have you left behind to follow Jesus? What have you chosen not to pursue? How would your life be different if you weren't making the daily decision to follow Jesus?

TAKE A STEP

Pray through Psalm 46 together. Cling to these truths throughout the week. Be still and know that God is God, that He is with you, and He is a very present help in trouble. Run to Him and not your wealth. You are loved.