



Conversations

Gospel Encounters With Jesus



Jesus and a Successful Man
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Mark 10:17-27
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Legalism: The means by which we seek to earn favor with God and/or validate our standing with God before others through the lowering of God's demands by substituting our imperfect obedience or by creating more accessible rules.

Driving Question:

How Are We Saved
Before God?

1. The Legalist Answer:

17 As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, “Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

a. Through Measuring of Morality

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b. Through Human Effort

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c. Through Minimizing God's Law

19 You know the commandments:

Do not murder; do not commit adultery; do not steal; do not bear false witness; do not defraud; honor your father and mother.”

d. Through Exalting Human Obedience

20 He said to him, “Teacher, **I have kept all these from my youth.**”

2. The Savior's Answer:

21 Looking at him, **Jesus loved him** and said to him, “You lack one thing: Go, **sell all you have and give to the poor**, and you will have treasure in heaven. **Then come, follow me.**”

a. Through Knowing Him

18 “Why do you call me good?”

Jesus asked him. “No one is good
except God alone.”

b. Through Trusting Him

22 But **he was dismayed by this demand**, and he went away grieving, because he had many possessions. 23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!”

c. Through Following Him

“You lack one thing: Go, sell all you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. **Then come, follow me.**”

d. Through Being Loved by Him

21 Looking at him, Jesus loved him... 27 Looking at them, Jesus said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God, because all things are possible with God.”

**Driving Question: How Are We Saved Before
God?**

**Answer: We are saved by His love in revealing
to us His person and work for sinners like us and
awakening us to trust Him, love Him, and follow
Him.**