

Who is YOUR King?!?
His Good Gifts: Grief or Grace? [II]
Matthew 19:16-22

Introduction: *The cost/benefit ratio of God's greatest gift:*

[cf. 4:20ff., 5:5, 12; 6:18ff.; 9:9; 10:38; 16:24ff.; 18:1-4]

- Saving faith's requirement: _____
- Saving faith's reward: _____

The grief of Riches:

[cf. Lk. 12:48; 2 Cor. 9:6; 1 Tim. 6:9-10, 17]

- Money can dull our conscience
- Money can whet our appetite for more
- Money can shrink our heart
- Money can inflate our ego

The grace of giving:

[cf. 2 Cor. 9:8-15; Rev. 3:21; 4:4]

- _____ in heaven!
- _____ on earth!
- _____ everywhere!
- _____ to God!

How can we avoid the grief and experience the grace?

[cf. Mt. 16:24-27]

- Look to Jesus—the ultimate rich young ruler
- Imitate His generous humility

Our response: