



Kingdom Rising – Season 3 "Hard for Rich to Enter"

GETTING STARTED

ICE BREAKER: What's something you remember doing as a child that required complete trust in someone else?

KEY THOUGHT: Childlike Trust Leads to Genuine Faith

GETTING THE POINT

Read Mark 10:13-16

- 1. Why do you think the disciples tried to stop people from bringing children to Jesus?
- 2. How does Jesus' reaction—becoming *indignant*—shape your understanding of His heart for children and the vulnerable?
- 3. What qualities of children make them a model for how we are to receive the kingdom of God?

Read Mark 10:17-31

- 1. The rich man asks, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" What assumptions is he making with that question?
- 2. Jesus tells the man, "You lack one thing." What might be one thing that competes for your trust in God?
- 3. How do Jesus' words about the camel and the needle challenge our cultural views of success, achievement, or wealth?
- 4. Peter says, "We have left everything and followed you." What sacrifices have you made (or are being invited to make) in following Jesus?
- 5. Jesus promises that following Him will involve both reward and persecution. How does that tension sit with you?

GETTING PERSONAL (1 Timothy 6:6–10, 17–19)

- 1. Verse 10 says, "The love of money is a root of all kinds of evils." How can someone guard against loving money without necessarily giving everything away?
- 2. Paul encourages the wealthy to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share. How can practicing generosity help us cultivate childlike trust in God?

PRAY...

That the Holy Spirit will help us to have childlike trust and faith to follow Him, and to put aside any evidence of self-reliance. Pray that all of us (regardless of how the world might define wealth), would be faithful in following Jesus, and practice God-honoring generosity!

GP Groups: Know ♦ Care ♦ Encourage