

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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CONVERSATION

Jesus Answered the Ruler's Question

LUKE 18:18-23

A ruler came to Jesus and asked a question: "Good Teacher, what must I do to receive eternal life?"

Jesus asked, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God Himself. You already know the commandments: Keep your marriage promises. Do not kill, steal, or be untruthful. Honor your parents."

The ruler said, "I have kept all those commandments since I was young."

"You are missing one thing," Jesus said. "Go and sell everything you have. Give the money to the poor. When you do, you will have treasure in heaven. Then come and follow Me!"

When the ruler heard this, he became very sad. He was sad because he was very rich.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: Joshua 24:15

LIFE POINT: People can choose to follow God's rules



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Parents, in today's Bible story your child heard that people can choose to follow or not follow God. A rich, young ruler left with sadness after he asked Jesus a question about eternal life.



LIVE IT OUT

Review the story of the rich, young ruler. If your child is not yet a Christian, share with him the plan of salvation. (Admit you sin and need a Savior. Believe that Jesus died and rose from the grave to take the punishment for your sin. Confess, or tell, that you trust Jesus as your Savior and Lord.)



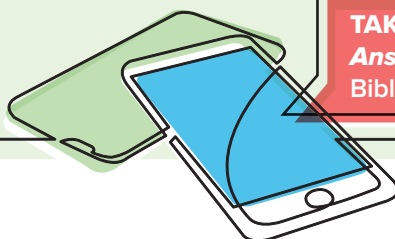
LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

People are responsible for their choices.



DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: Joshua 24:15
Monday: Deuteronomy 5:33
Tuesday: John 8:12
Wednesday: Psalm 128:1
Thursday: Matthew 10:38
Friday: Psalm 37:23
Saturday: Colossians 3:17



TAKE IT FURTHER: Check out the *Jesus Answered the Ruler's Question* section of the Bible Studies for Life: Kids Family App.

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Unit 2, Session 1

CONNECTION POINT:

When we come to Christ, we also become a part of the body of Christ.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: Human beings are social creatures. We were not designed to live in isolation. We desire to belong, whether it's belonging to a family, a group of friends, a social network, or a group with a shared interest. The church is a family, the body of Christ. Being a part of Christ's church is not an option. God's design is for us to live and serve together as His body. Christ has joined us together.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

Live It Out: Help your child think of and complete a project that helps a person in need. Could choose a neighbor you do not know. Say the verse: "Love one another. 1 John 4:7"

Jesus told a story to answer a man about who is his neighbor.

"Robbers hurt a man walking on a road and took everything he had. They left him there.

"Two different men came down the road and saw the hurt man. Both moved to the other side of the road and kept walking.

"A man from Samaria saw the hurt man and took care of the man. He put bandages on him and took him to an inn. The next day the kind man gave paid the owner to take care of the hurt man until he was well again."

Jesus asked, "Which of the three men treated the hurt man like a neighbor?"

The man said, "The one who helped the hurt man."

Jesus said, "Go and help others like the kind man did."

KIDS

Scripture: Luke 18:18-23

Live It Out: Review the story of the rich, young ruler. If your child is not yet a Christian, share with him the plan of salvation.

One day a young ruler asked Jesus a question. "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" he asked. Jesus began to answer the ruler's question. Jesus explained that only God is good. Then Jesus remarked that the young man knew the commandments that God had given to be obeyed. Jesus named some of the commandments. The ruler said "I have kept all of these since I was young."

Then Jesus told him there was one more thing that he should do. "Sell everything that you have and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come and follow me."

But when the ruler heard what Jesus said, he became very sad. He was very rich. That day, the young man chose to keep his riches instead of following Jesus.

STUDENTS

Scripture: Ephesians 1:20-23; 2:8-10,19-22

- What happens when we forget that Christ is the head of the church?
- How does it change our perspective when we view ourselves as God's workmanship?
- How has the church played a significant role in your life?

Live It Out: The church isn't a place or a building, but is made up of the people who belong to the family of God, and whereas under the Old Covenant, God dwelled in the temple or the tabernacle, today God dwells in His people and works through them to advance His kingdom.

When we belong to a church family, God calls us to love and serve one another in meaningful ways. Share with your student a story of when you were helped by your church family. And then, consider the people in your church family and determine if there is anyone in need of help in any way. (This could be so much more than financial help.) As a family, commit to helping and encouraging those in your church family, especially this specific individual in need of help.