**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW**

**LESSON 19 - Instruction About Divorce, Rich Young Ruler, and Rewards**

**Matthew 19:1-30**

**DAYS ONE & TWO -** Read Matthew 19:1-15 (Instruction About Divorce)

1. *When Jesus had finished these sayings*, what *came to pass* in verses 1-2?

Answer here

2. Who *also came to Him*, *testing Him*, and what controversial question did they ask that they didn’t even agree upon?

Answer here

3. How did Jesus answer them, in verses 4-6, as He quoted Genesis 1:27, 2:24, and 5:2?

Answer here

4. What does Malachi 2:15 add about this subject?

Answer here

5. Back in Matthew 19:7, compare what the Pharisees said about the words of Moses with Jesus’ words about Moses, in verse 8?

Answer here

6. What exception clause, in verse 9, is repeated here from Matthew 5:32?

Answer here

7. Back in Matthew 19:10, what did the disciples of Jesus suggest by their question?

Answer here

8. *But* what did He say to them about this in verses 11-12?

Answer here

9. What happened after this, and how did the disciples react in verse 13?

Answer here

10. *But* what did Jesus, then, say and do concerning *the children who were brought to Him*?

Answer here

**DAYS THREE & FOUR -** Read Matthew 19:16-26 (Rich Young Ruler)

1. a. *Now behold,* what did this man ask when he approached Jesus in verse 16?

Answer here

b. What words did this man use in his question, showing that he was relying on his works of the law, not faith, to give him *eternal life*?

Answer here

2. How did Jesus first challenge him in verse 17?

Answer here

3. What stands out to you from Paul’s words in Romans 3:9-20, that this man needed to know about his inability to keep the law or to even do anything good on his own?

Answer here

4. Back in Matthew, when the man asked about which commandments he needed to keep, which ones did Jesus name that had to do with relationships?

Answer here

5. Then what did this self-righteous *young man* say to Jesus in verse 20?

Answer here

6. While not setting up terms for salvation by works, what did Jesus tell him to do in verse 21?

Answer here

7. How did these words of Jesus expose the true heart of this *young man* in verse 22?

Answer here

8. a. What lesson did Jesus give His disciples about those who have wealth in verse 23?

Answer here

b. How did His words in verse 24-25 show the impossibility of ever being saved by any merit?

Answer here

9. When the disciples heard His words and asked the right question, “*Who then can be saved,”* how did Jesus answer them?

Answer here

10. What does Galatians 3:10-13 say about salvation by works?

Answer here

**DAY FIVE -** Read Matthew 19: 27-30 (The Apostles Reward)

1. Then what did Peter say and ask Jesus on behalf to the disciples?

Answer here

2. As we notice that Jesus did not rebuke Peter for asking about a reward, what wonderful news did Jesus give them in verse 28?

Answer here

3. As Jesus spoke of *the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of the prophets,* what does Revelation 3:21 say about this time?

Answer here

4. Coming back to Matthew 19:29, what awaits those who have given up everything for the sake of Jesus?

Answer here

5. *But* what did Jesus say, in verse 30, that we will learn more about in our next lesson?

Answer here

**DISCUSSION:** What terrible truth will be discovered by all who thought their works would get them into heaven, like *the rich young ruler*? Read Revelation 20:11-15 where these kinds of people will be *judged, each one, according to their works.* But these works will only be used to determine the level of their punishment in *the lake of fire*.

Answer here