

**EVANGELISTIC SERMON SERIES: COME TO JESUS**  
**THE RICH YOUNG RULER**  
**Mark 10:17-22**

**INTRODUCTION:**

In this message, the man is known as “The Rich Young Ruler.” He is so called because of a combined picture gathered from all three Gospels. He was Young (Matt 10:20), He was Rich (Matt 19:22; Mark 10:22; Luke 18:23), and He was a Ruler (Luke 18:18).

- **“<sup>8</sup> For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: <sup>9</sup> Not of works, lest any man should boast” (Eph 2:8-9).**

**We will examine four elements to the story of “The Rich Young Ruler:”**

- I. HE CAME TO THE RIGHT PERSON (v. 17)**
  - A. The Rich Young Ruler was Eager**
  - B. The Rich Young Ruler was Humble**
  - C. The Rich Young Ruler was Respectful**
  - D. The Rich Young Ruler was Courageous**
  - E. The Rich Young Ruler was Ambitious (John 6:68; 8:24; Acts 4:12; 1 Tim 2:5-6)**
- II. HE ASKED THE RIGHT QUESTION (v. 17)**
  - A. “What Shall I do that I may inherit Eternal Life?” (Acts 2:37-38; 16:30-31)**
  - B. The Rich Young Ruler Believed that Eternal Life was Based on his Goodness (Matt 19:16; Prov 14:12; John 14:6)**
- III. HE RECEIVED THE RIGHT ANSWER (vv. 18-19)**
  - A. Jesus is God (v. 17, 18; Rom 3:23)**
  - B. Jesus told The Rich Young Ruler to Obey the Commandments (v. 19, 20; Exod 20:3, 17)**
- IV. HE MADE THE WRONG DECISION (vv. 21-22)**
  - A. “One Thing Thou Lackest” (v. 21; Mark 10:21)**
  - B. The Ruler Rejects Christ’s Invitation to Eternal Life (v. 22; John 3:7; Mark 12:34; Col 3:1-2)**

**CONCLUSION:**

- A. The Rich Young Ruler**
- B. Christians – Is there anything hindering your spiritual growth with God?**
- C. Unsaved – There is something between you and God – “SIN”**
- D. Salvation is Given by Christ, Not Earned by You (Eph 2:8-9)**
  - **Romans Road to Salvation (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)**

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**“... the word of our God endures forever” (Isa 40:8)**