

Home Sweet Home

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Matthew 19:16-26 NLT

'Someone came to Jesus with this question: "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" "Why ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. But to answer your question—if you want to receive eternal life, keep the commandments." "Which ones?" the man asked. And Jesus replied: "You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. Honor your father and mother. Love your neighbor as yourself. "I've obeyed all these commandments," the young man replied. "What else must I do?" Jesus told him, "If you want to be perfect, go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." But when the young man heard this, he went away sad, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus said to his disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is very hard for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. I'll say it again—it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!" The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked. Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible."

o Average US household income: \$ _____

o Average world household income: \$ _____

Our wealth doesn't _____ us, but Jesus does clearly show us that it puts us at a _____.

Luke 9:23-25 - 'Then he said to the crowd, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must **give up your own way**, take up your cross

daily, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but are yourself lost or destroyed? '

Revelation 3:8,10 - "I know all the things you do, and I have opened a door for you that no one can close. You have little strength, yet you obeyed my word and did not deny me. ... "Because you have obeyed my command to persevere, I will protect you from the great time of testing that will come upon the whole world to test those who belong to this world. '

Jesus tells this church that their wealth has made them

_____.

Being lukewarm _____ him.

Tachu - Means "without _____ delay"

1 Peter 1:17b - So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time here as " _____ "

Philippians 1:20-24 - For I fully expect and hope that I will never be ashamed, but that I will continue to be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past. And I trust that my life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die. **For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is EVEN BETTER.** But if I live, I can do more fruitful work for Christ. So I don't really know which is better. I'm torn between two desires: I long to go and be with Christ, which would be far better for me. But for your sakes, it is better that I continue to live.

Paul was still living IN _____, but he was living FOR _____.