

## EPISODE NO. 269

### Luke 18:18-27

#### The Rich, Young Ruler

18 A rich leader asked Jesus, “Good Teacher, what must I do to get eternal life?”

19 Jesus asked him, “Why did you call me good!? Only God is good! 20 But I will answer your question. You know the commands:

‘You must not commit adultery.’

‘You must not commit murder.’

‘You must not steal.’

‘You must not lie.’

‘You must honor your father and mother . . .’ ”  
(*Exodus 20:13-16*)

21 But the leader said, “I have obeyed all these commands since I was a boy!”

22 When Jesus heard that, he said to the leader, “But there is still one more thing you need to do. Sell everything you have and distribute it to the poor people. Then you will have a treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me!”

23 But when the man heard this, he was very sad. (The man was very rich and wanted to keep his money.) 24 When Jesus saw that the man was very sad, he said, “It will be so hard for people with a lot of money to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It would be easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God!”

26 When the people heard this, they asked, “Then who can be saved!?”

27 Jesus answered, “God can do things which do NOT seem possible to human beings!”