

# A Proper View

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## Thesis:

A Proper View of Salvation

## Introduction:

Saved by an "M" – Queen Elizabeth

I Corinthians 1:26

For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not "m"any noble, are called.

## I. An Outside View of Salvation

(Luke 18: 18 – 27)

18 Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

19 So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.

20 You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.' "

21 And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth."

22 So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."

23 But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich.

24 And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!

25 For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

26 And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?"

27 But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

Vs. 18 – "Good Teacher"? (Master)

Vs. 19 – Why Do You Call Me Good?

Jewish Custom to Call God "Good"

(Psalm 25:8)

Good and upright is the Lord; Therefore He teaches sinners in the way.

(Psalm 34:8)

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

(Psalm 86:5)

For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You.

(Psalm 106:1)

Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

A. Did the Rich Young Ruler Know Who Christ Was?

Good Man?

Prophet?

Teacher?

Reality – Jesus is God in the Flesh!

Commanded to Keep the 5th - 9th of the Ten Commandments

(Exodus 20: 12-16)

12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you.

13 "You shall not murder.

14 "You shall not commit adultery.

15 "You shall not steal.

16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

**B. How Did the Rich Young Ruler View Himself?**  
Without Sin

His Sin was Covetousness

He Wanted to Be Saved Without Making Christ  
His Top Priority

His Top Priority Was:  
His Possessions and  
His Position in Society

Jesus Went to the Core Value in His Life  
**Vs. 22** – He Told Him to Sell All That He Had

What Value Did the Rich Young Ruler Have in Salvation or  
Eternal Life?

He Went Away Sad...Unwilling to Forfeit His Wealth

Is Wealth Bad?

No. If it is not idolized over Christ.

Did the Rich Young Ruler Have Eternal Life?  
No He Didn't.  
Consider:

**(Colossians 2: 1 – 3)**

1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh,  
2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, & attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,  
3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

**(Colossians 3:3)**

For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

**(Matthew 6:21)**

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**C. The Rich Young Ruler Did Not Understand...**

1. Who Jesus Is
2. That He Was A Sinner
3. And the Value of Salvation Through Faith in Christ

The Rich Young Ruler's Love of Wealth Held Him Back From  
Receiving the Greatest Wealth of All Eternal Life in Christ Jesus

It's Difficult for the Rich To Enter God's Kingdom

**II. An Inside View of Salvation**

Justification - Christ Saved You

**(Romans 3: 23 – 24)**

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

Sanctification - You Live As Being Saved

**(Hebrews 2:11)**

For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren,

Glorification - You Hold On to the Promise of Eternal Salvation

**(Romans 8:30)**

Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.



### **A Proper View of Salvation**

**(Romans 1:16)**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

**(Ephesians 5:8)**

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

#### **Conclusion:**

Where Do You "Stand" in the View of Salvation?