

### **Bible study notes week starting 18 4 21**

Read Mark 10: 17 - 31.

1. Why did Jesus say what he did in verse 18?
2. 'What must I do to inherit eternal life?' How would you answer this question?
3. How might the man have expected Jesus to answer?
4. Jesus' first reply (verse 19) is quite conventional. His second reply (verse 21) is a surprise. Why did Jesus give him such a demanding instruction?
5. Jesus goes on to explain how hard it is for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God. The disciples are surprised - because they assumed wealth was a mark of God's favour. Why might Jesus have considered wealth to be a particular problem?
6. And yet, wealthy as they are, rich people can be saved (verses 26- 27). On what basis?
7. David's talk concluded that "To be a Christian is not, first of all, to be loving or worthy or perfect; to be a Christian is to be loved." Comment on this.