

Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further ***International Bible Lessons***

Mark 10:17-31
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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The *Class Preparation Guide* includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class so they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. What did the rich young man want to inherit after he died? What did Jesus say he would need to do?

He wanted to inherit eternal life. He would need to sell everything and give to the poor. He would need to follow Jesus.

2. What might his refusal to do what Jesus said have indicated?

He loved the money and possessions more than God, more than doing the will of God, more than loving and following Jesus for the rest of his life.

3. What can someone do which indicates they have entered the kingdom of God?

They do whatever Jesus says to do as recorded in the Bible. They do things that indicate they love God and put God first. These are signs they have received the grace of God and have faith in God and Jesus Christ – what is impossible for us God has made possible.

4. What had Peter and the other disciples left behind to follow Jesus?

Everything!

5. What did Jesus say His followers would receive?

They will receive 100 times as much as they have left behind in this present age. They will receive homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and fields – along with persecutions – and eternal life in the age to come.

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