

# 1 Thing

## The One Thing You Lack



# Talk It Over

### Message Summary ●●●

Clinging to anything other than Jesus can cost you freedom and joy. Prioritizing a relationship with God over material possessions opens the door to experiencing the fullness of His plans for you.

### Key Scriptures ●●●

17 As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

18 "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. 19 You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.

20 "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

21 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

22 At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"

24 The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

26 The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"

27 Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."

Mark 10:17-27 (NIV)

### Start Talking ●●●

Find a conversation starter for your group.

- If you had to choose one item from your home to give away as a gesture of generosity, what would it be and why?
- Watch this week's Sermon Refresh: [Here](#) (Available Mondays)

### Start Thinking ●●●

Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Read the Key Scriptures on the left.
- What does the story of the rich young ruler in Mark 10 teach us about the importance of generosity and prioritizing God over possessions?

### Start Sharing ●●●

Choose a question(s) to create openness.

- Can you share a time when you had to let go of something you really wanted? How did it feel afterward?
- How can we practice letting go of material things in our daily lives to focus more on our relationship with God?
- What is one specific step you can take this week to loosen your grip on money or possessions and trust God more?

### Start Praying ●●●

Heavenly Father, we thank You for all You have given us, recognizing that everything is Yours. Guide us to trust You more as we give generously, so we can focus our hearts and lives more fully on You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

### Start Doing ●●●

- Encourage your group to take the [90 Day Tithe Challenge](#) together and check-in monthly to hear how it is going. At the end of the 90 days have your group members submit their stories of how God moved in their lives as a result of their generosity.
- Share this sign-up link (<https://ccv.church/90day>) with your group members and have everyone fill it out together before ending your time together.
- Pray the prayer above together and let your Associate Pastor know that your entire group has signed up.