## **READ THE RULES Game Over** – *Part 2 of 10*

**BOTTOM-LINE**: Jesus showed up to introduce a **BRAND-NEW** arrangement between God and all of **MANKIND**.

"...Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" John 1:29b

"But John tried to deter him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?'" Matthew 3:14

"I Then Jesu was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil." Matthew 4:1

"2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 the tempter came to him and said, 'If you are the son of God, tell these stones to become bread.' 4 Jesus answered, 'It is written man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Matthew 4:2-4

"5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down. For it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.' 7 Jesus answered him, 'It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your god to the test.'" Matthew 4:5-7

**KEY TRUTH #1:** Jesus taught and modeled that power is not primarily for the benefit of the **POWERFUL.** 

**KEY TRUTH #2:** Jesus taught that wealth is not primarily for the benefit of the **WEALTHY**.

**KEY TRUTH #3:** Jesus taught and modeled that <u>INFLUENCE</u> would be leveraged for those without a **VOICE**.

"8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. 9 'All this I will give you,' he said...'" Matthew 4:8-9a

"...I will give you all of their authority and their splendor; it has been given to me and I can give it to anyone I want..." Luke 4:6

"'9...if you will bow down and worship me.'" Matthew 4:9b

**KEY TRUTH #4** Jesus had not come to barter for a kingdom. Jesus came to establish His kingdom and His values in the **HEART** and **CONSCIENCE** of all men and women.

"Jesus said to him, 'Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"
Matthew 4:10

"13 When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time. 14 Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside." Luke 4:13-14

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

"What good is for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their own soul?" Luke 9:25