



# THE JESUS MOVEMENT

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### Distractions to Real Life Pt2

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Matthew 19:23-26 / Mark 10:23-27 / Luke 18:24-27

1. Jesus looked around, and said to His disciples, "How hard it is for those who are wealthy to enter the Kingdom of God!"
2. Truly I say to you, it is hard for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven."
3. The disciples were amazed at His words, so Jesus answered, and said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the Kingdom of God!"
4. Again I say to you, 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!"
5. When the disciples heard this, they were even more astonished; and they said to Him, "Then who can be saved?"
6. Looking at them, Jesus said, "With people this is impossible, but not with God, for all things are possible with God."

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**1. The path to real life is a \_\_\_\_\_ choice and for most, a very \_\_\_\_\_ choice.**

**TRUTH:** We are attached to things that are not real and will burn.

#### **Psalm 20:7 (ESV)**

7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

**TRUTH:** When someone is too satisfied with life, they lose interest in what comes next.

#### **Revelation 3:14–17 (ESV)**

14 "And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: 'The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation.

15 " 'I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot!

16 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.

17 For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, **not realizing** that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.

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## II. Our MAIN FOCUS should always be on the \_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_ us to REAL LIFE!

### Matthew 6:19–24 (ESV)

19 “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal,

20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.

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

22 “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light,

23 but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

24 “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

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## III. Real Life is found ONLY in one PERSON - \_\_\_\_\_.

### John 1:4–5 (ESV)

4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

### John 1:9–13 (ESV)

9 The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him.

11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.

12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God,

13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**TRUTH:** Wealth isn't wrong, but it stands in the way of our heart.

### 1 Timothy 6:9–10 (ESV)

**9** But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

**10** For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

## The Distractions of Wealth

1. It competes with our \_\_\_\_\_ for Christ

2. It tempts us to set \_\_\_\_\_ our Christian call.

### **Matthew 28:18–20 (ESV)**

**18** And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

**19** Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

**20** teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

3. Leads us to devote more \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to accumulation.

4. It keeps us from the truly \_\_\_\_\_ things in life!