



I AM THE WAY Pt 2
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"You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32 (NLT)

The Interaction Jesus had with the rich young man:

Mark 10

(v. 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?"

(v. 18) *"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good except God alone."*

(v. 19) *"You know the commandments:*

- *'Do not murder,*
- *'Do not commit adultery,*
- *'Do not steal,*
- *'Do not give false witness,*
- *'Do not defraud,*
- *'Honor your father and mother.'"*

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

(v. 21) *And Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," He said. "Go, sell everything you have and give it to the poor...then come follow me."*

(John 17:3) *"Now THIS is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent."*

In this defining moment – this young man discovered that:

- His primary ambition in life was NOT to discover how to have eternal life.
- His primary ambition in life was to learn how to stay in the seat of CONTROL – and to use God to get what he wanted.

The young man discovered that his wealth **OWNED** him.

(v. 22) *At this the man's face fell. He went away sad because he had great wealth.*

The purpose of this passage of Scripture:

Nothing competes more for your love for Christ –
...than your pursuit and management of wealth.

Every once in a while – you will have a defining moment financially –

- And you will discover WHOSE you truly are.

Defining question today:

- WHOSE are you?
- And what are you going to do about it?