

# CONVERSATIONS



OCTOBER 8, 2023  
8:40 AM WORSHIP  
*EVERYTHING*

## What's Going On in the Family?

*House of the Lord*

*Forever Reign*

## Prayer for the Offering

*God of Revival*

## Pastoral Prayer

## Sermon

*Conversations: Everything*

Mark 10:17-31

## Song of Response: *I Surrender All*

## Recognition of Decisions

## Celebration of Believer's Baptism

*Dailey Ivey*

## Benediction

Karen McAmis

Smith/Wickham

Ingram/Morgan

Robert Barefoot

Johnson/Wickham

Bruce Herrmann

Blake Bengé

Van DeVenter/Weeden

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Susie Reeder

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## TAKE IT WITH YOU

We often hear of the first time Jesus said "follow me". He sees some of the men He has chosen, going about their normal lives, then He extends the offer: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." But much more rarely do we consider the other times Jesus said "follow me".

A rich young man asks the Lord what he must do to inherit eternal life. "Do not steal, do not commit adultery, honor thy father and thy mother," Jesus says. Well and good to the young man. But then, Jesus tells him "Follow me, and give all that you have to the poor." Here, the man is given the key to eternal life, the righteous path, the road to salvation. And he is sad.

Scripture is silent about what he does next, but Christian tradition does not look upon him favorably. Why is the young man sad? Because he knew that the path to eternal life conflicted with his worldly living. It is easy to be contemptuous of the young man. Here we have a man who spoke to Jesus directly, and Jesus spoke back. We have a man that saw God face to face, and he was sad because he couldn't keep his wealth. "What a sinful man." we say, "how greedy and prideful.

Be careful not to cast the first stone. Can you not see yourself in the young man? We Christians are in an even better position than the young man: he knew the path to salvation, we have walked upon it; he saw God in the flesh, we experience God within us. And yet we are still sad. And yet we still want to hold onto our wealth. "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." But do we not work ourselves to death to try and find a way to lay down our cross? Picture yourself in the young man's shoes. Would you give everything you had to the poor? And would you do it gladly?

If you cannot readily answer "yes" to both, then search within your soul, and ask yourself what prevents you. Pray that you may be free from whatever attachments are preventing you, that your will may be aligned with the Father's will, so that you may answer "yes" to that great call: "follow me."

~ Matt Miller

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