

# THIS WEEK

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

## events

The **2020 giving statements** are ready, they will be available for pick up before and after church services on **Sunday Jan. 17th and 24th** after which they will be mailed. Mahalo for your faithfulness in giving.

Members are encouraged to stay after the service on **January 31** for our **Annual Business Meeting**. Topics include new members, last year's budget, and this year's good news.

This year we will be blessing **Teen Challenge** by going shopping! The list of their needed supplies is on the back table at church. Collection will be from **Jan. 24 to Feb. 14**.

**Ways to Give:** Online giving is a convenient way to give. You may set up one-time or recurring contributions on our website. If you prefer to give in person, look for our giving box located on the front table in the pavilion on Sunday morning. You can also mail a check to the address below.



## SERMON NOTES

Andrew Severinsen - Mark 10:17-31

**Broader Context:** Jesus continues to clarify what the Messiah must do and what it will look like, as many had the wrong idea. This leads to teaching by Jesus on the essence of faith and what genuine faith looks like — how those who follow Him live.

**Big Idea:** “What must I do to be saved?” In His interaction with the man who asks this question, Jesus clarifies the essence of what genuine, saving faith requires.

- “What must I do to be saved?” — a man asks Jesus an honest question
- “Then who can be saved?” — and then Jesus’ explains to the disciples

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## GRACE GROUP Discussion Questions

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### **Mark 10:17-31 — What does it say?**

1. How would you summarize what Mark has shared thus far in chapters 9 and 10? Is a theme being established or continued?
2. Why does the man address Jesus as “Good Teacher”? What can we imply about him from the way he approaches Jesus?
3. What does Jesus mean by His response in verse 18?
4. In Jesus’ response to the man, He quotes some of the Ten Commandments (v. 19). Why might He choose to quote these specific commandments?
5. Why does Mark include the detail that Jesus “loved” the man in verse 21?
6. Why does Jesus tell the man to sell all that he has?
7. Explain the difference between the two statements Jesus makes in verses 23 and 24. Is His second statement a more general one, or is He still addressing those who have wealth?
8. Summarize the metaphor Jesus uses to demonstrate the difficulty wealthy people have in entering the Kingdom. How does Jesus use the metaphor of the camel and the needle to demonstrate His point? How does He provide an answer for the seemingly impossible problem He raised?
9. What does Jesus mean by “now in this time” and “in the age to come” in verse 30? Which rewards apply to which time?
10. Explain what Jesus means by His statement in verse 31? How does this connect to His previous teachings?

### **Mark 10:17-31 — How does it apply to our lives today?**

1. Why is money such a challenging area for people to trust God in? We live in an area that is considered rich by comparison to the world. How can we be assured of our inclusion in the Kingdom? What does God want us to think, feel, and do regarding our resources?
2. When you first realized that Jesus was the most important thing in your life, did you find some areas of your life change in/because of this new relationship with God? How did they change?
3. What other areas, other than resources, are challenging to turn over and trust God with? What does it look like for us as a community to help each other grow in greater trust in God in these areas?

**Spend some time sharing and praying together.**