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Matthew 19:16-22 (ESV)

The Rich Young Man

¹⁶ And behold, a man came up to him, saying, "<u>Teacher</u>, <u>what</u> good deed must I do to have eternal life?" ¹⁷ And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you would enter life, keep the <u>commandments.</u>"

18 He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, ¹⁹ Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 20 The young man said to him, "All these I have kept. What do I still lack?" ²¹ Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." 22 When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Matthew 8:19-20 (ESV)

"Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go."

Matthew 9:10-11 (ESV)

"Why does your **teacher** eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

Matthew 12:38 (ESV)

"Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you."

Matthew 17:24-25 (ESV)

"Does your **teacher** not pay the tax?"

Matthew 22:16 (ESV)

"Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully,

Matthew 22:23-25 (ESV)

"Teacher, Moses said, 'If a man dies having no children,

Matthew 22:35-37 (ESV)

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?"

- **18. ἀγαθός agathós**; fem. agathé, neut. agathón, adj. Good and benevolent, profitable, useful.
- (I) Good, excellent, distinguished, best, of persons (Matt. 19:16, 17; Mark 10:17, 18; Luke 18:18, 19; Sept.: 1 Sam. 9:2); of things (Luke 10:42; John 1:46; 2 Thess 2:16; Sept.: Ezra 8:27).

THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

- You shall have no other gods before me.
- 2 You shall not make idols.
- You shall not take the name of the LORD your GOD in vain.
- Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- Honour your father and your mother.

- 6 You shall not murder.
- 7 You shall not commit adultery.
- 8 You shall not steal.
- You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- 10 You shall not covet.

Matthew 22:39

³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

■ ²³ And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, only with difficulty will a rich person enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴ Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God."

Matthew 6: 20

But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 19:25 When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished,





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Matthew 5:3-11

- ³Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- ⁵Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- ⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they will be filled.
- ⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they shall be shown mercy.
- ⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- ⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the sons of God.
- ¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

²⁶ "With man **this** is **impossible**, but with God all things are possible."

²⁷ Then Peter said in reply, "See, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?"

■ ²⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹ And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. 30 But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 6 And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.'

ἀργός in the NT is used in the secular sense of "unemployed" (Mt. 20:3), "inactive" (Mt. 20:6; 1 Tm. 5:13),

Delling, G. (1964–). ἀργός, ἀργέω, καταργέω. In G. Kittel, G. W. Bromiley, & G. Friedrich (Eds.), *Theological dictionary of the New Testament* (electronic ed., Vol. 1, p. 452). Eerdmans.

* And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' So the last will be first, and the first last."

Ephesians 2:8 (ESV)

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Isaiah 5:1-7

- Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his **vineyard**: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.
- And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?
- And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.
- For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

Matthew 20:18–19 (ESV)

¹⁸ "See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death ¹⁹ and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day."