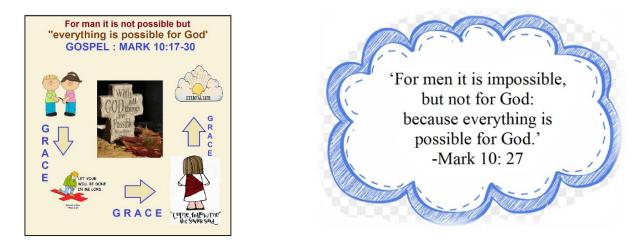
"For men it is impossible, but everything is possible for God." Children's Liturgy Activity October 10th, 2021



Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

In the Gospel today, we see a rich man approaching Jesus with a question. 'What must I do to inherit eternal life?'. This is a great question that we all too like to get answered. As we all expect, Jesus revealed the primary requirement for this is to obey the commandments. The rich young man was so happy and confident that he replied 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days'. Now Jesus points to the real lack that he had which prevented him from entering the kingdom of God. Jesus asked him to give away all the riches and possessions he had ;to those who doesn't have it and thus to deposit treasures in heaven and then come and follow him to gain eternal life. The rich man had lot of wealth, so he went away sadly.

Let us reflect 'what do we keep as our own possessions, that we find it hard to give away to help others? Or what is that we give priority than God?

Jesus turns towards his disciples and say ' it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God; but is easier for a camel to pass through the needles eye '. Hearing this the disciples were astonished and said to one another 'in that case who can be saved?' In reply to this, Jesus said to them 'For men it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God'.

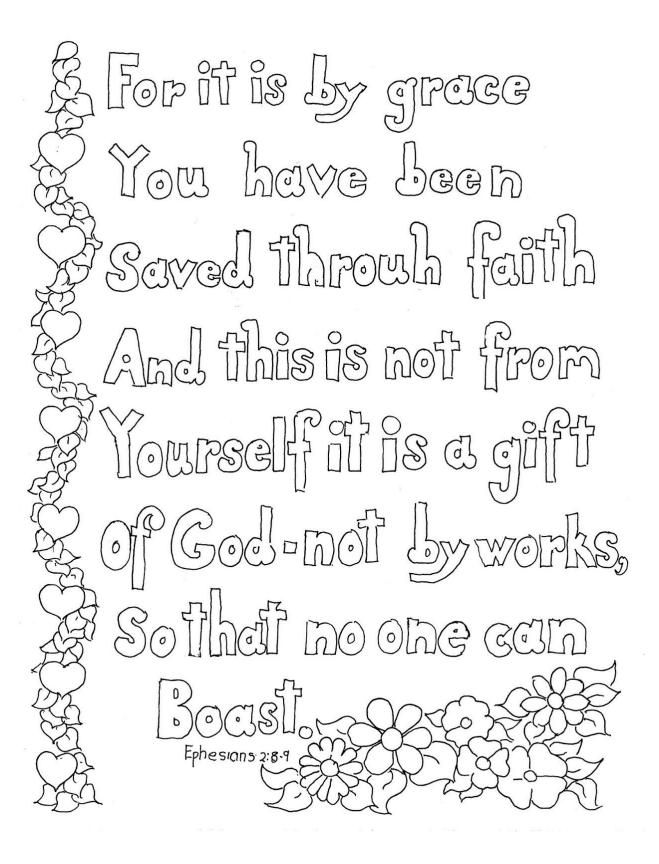
We may find it hard sometimes to let go our own possessions. It can be a toy, or time, or space etc. the more we try to let it go, the more we fail. Because Jesus says that, it is impossible for men to achieve this and only God can help us to do this. Jesus is pointing to us the need of God's grace and our faith in him to gain eternal life by doing as he says.

To this Peter asks Jesus 'what about us? We have left everything and followed you.' We ask this question sometimes. What will we get if we surrender everything to Jesus and follow him?

Jesus says that, by doing so we are depositing treasure in heaven. He also says that 'there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.' By telling 'leaving everything' Jesus doesn't mean to abandon everything and go but He intends that , if we give priority for Jesus' sake, or Gospel's sake in our life, we are going to be repaid in this present time and also in the world to come gaining eternal life.

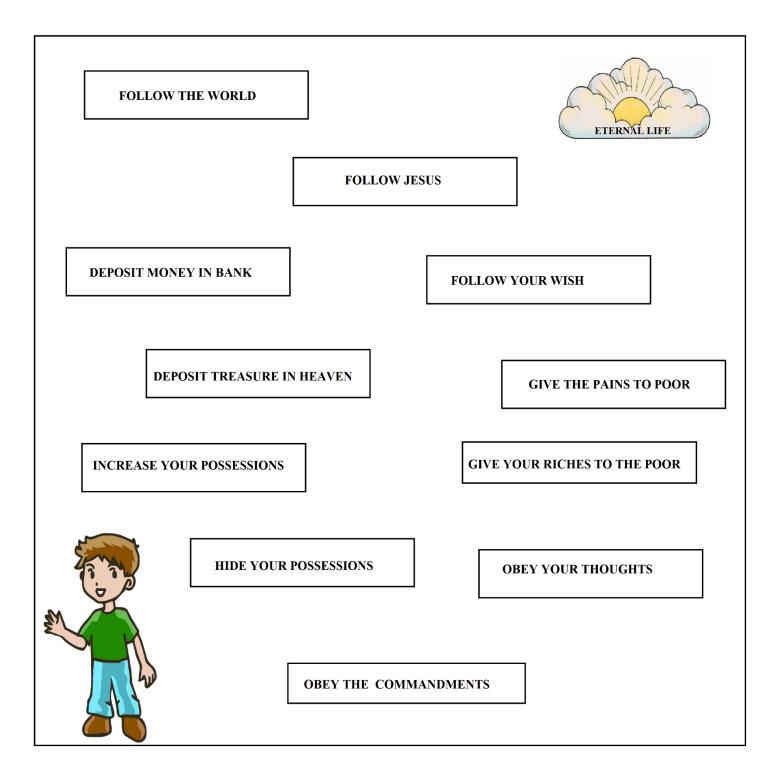
So, let us analyze : what possessions keeps us away from Jesus and blocks us from following Him? Let us proclaim Jesus as our authority : by giving thanks to lord for everything in our life. Let us surrender ourselves completely to God's amazing love and providence. Let us follow him in complete trust in his grace and providence, GIVING AWAY OUR RICHES TO THOSE WHO LACK IT. He will lead us to eternal life by his grace. Everything is possible for God.

Colour the following verses, decorate it and stick it on card to make your own verse card



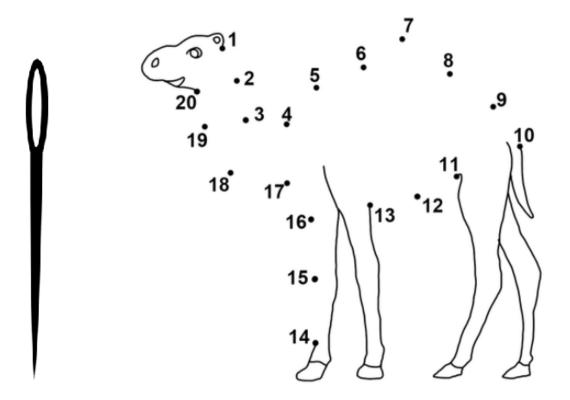
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Help the rich man to find the way to eternal life by tracing what Jesus said in the gospel.



Join the dots and complete the word of God given.

"It is easier for a----- to pass through the eye of a ----- than for a ----- man to enter the kingdom of God."- Mark 10:25



Can you unscramble the following words from the gospel?

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- eathwl
- eatenrl -
- kindmog -
- denlee
- sopsibel -

Make a list of the things that you like the most. And against each write 'Jesus is more greater than this'.

Give a thanks giving prayer to lord for each item you write.

My Possessions	l Proclaim

Reflect on: What among the possessions listed above can You share with someone who lacks it?

Let us pray, 📏

Dear Lord, we thank you for blessing us by redeeming us and making us your own children. Help us to realize your love towards us that made you to give your own Son to save us. Let this faith and your love help us to surrender everything, giving what we have in richness to those who lack it and follow Jesus who by grace leads us to eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord, amen.

Jesus, I trust in You.