

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B - RCLB Lectionary



Lectionary: 143B Read: Mark 10:17-30

Gospel Summary

The man in today's Gospel lived a good life and observed God's laws. But he had yet to do the one thing Jesus would ask of him—to sell all he had and give to the poor. The man went away sad, for he had many possessions. Jesus emphasized to his disciples how hard it is for those with great wealth to enter God's kingdom.

Reflection for Parents

Take time to make two lists today. On the first, list all the things that are important to you in the order of their importance. On the second, list what you really need in order to live. Compare the two lists. How are they alike? How are they different?

Review the first list. Is God first in your order of importance? If not, what can you do to make faith in him the most important priority in your life? Consider whether any other adjustments need to be made to your lists. Pray that the second list will help you be more aware of *wants* verses *needs*.

Bring the Gospel Into Your Family

This week, invite the family to take part in an opportunity to give what you have to the poor. Set aside a day and a time to go through closets, cupboards, and drawers together. Gather any outgrown clothes or unused items that are clean and in good shape. Take them to a donation center such as the clothes closet or St. Vincent de Paul collection box at your parish.

Discussion Starters

- 1. Giving away clothes I don't wear anymore and things I don't use makes me feel . . .
- 2. The one thing that would be hard for me to give up is . . .
- 3. A rich person I know who will certainly enter the Kingdom of Heaven is . . . because . . .