

Discussion Guide  
*Here & Now: wk2 Good Enough*  
February 25, 2024

Big Idea



What are you holding onto that is holding you back from being a more fully active & committed citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven?



Icebreaker

Share an observation &/or an application from your time this past week engaging with this Sermon Series' reading plan.



Discussion Questions

1. As we wrap our minds around the idea of *"How good is good enough?"*, do you have a light-hearted example of where you settled for that mindset regarding a task at hand to only realize the consequences for it? How did it feel to approach it in that manner & to see it work out the way in which it did? Or, what is a light-hearted example you could share of where you were impacted by someone else's settling for *"ahhh...that's good enough!"*?
2. Read Matthew 19:16-19. If you were to come up with a list of three "good deeds" to have eternal life, what would they be? What do you think some other people may include on this list? Why is the gauge of *"good enough"* not fitting when it comes to having eternal life? What does Jesus seem to indicate regarding why *"good enough"* is not fitting and did your answer to that last question match His or not?
3. Read Matthew 19:20-22. What do you think led the young man to further question Jesus with *"What else must I do?"* Do you ever feel that way in your faith? Is that a healthy or unhealthy thing to feel; process; question, and why? Can it be both healthy and unhealthy, how, and why?
4. Continuing to reflect upon Matthew 19:20-22 (read above), do you think Jesus is calling all His followers to sell everything before they follow Him, why or why not? Why was He calling this young man in particular to do so? Do you think Jesus was intentional about the order or *"sell everything" and then "come, follow me"*, and if so, why? Do you think Jesus literally meant for this man to sell everything, or is Jesus using what is called hyperbole to make a strong point, and why do you think so?
5. Read Matthew 19:23-24. What are some ways of being "rich" that can hinder a person from fully embracing Christ & their participation in bringing the Kingdom of Heaven to earth, here & now? Beyond "rich", what is holding YOU back from being a more fully active & committed citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven? If nothing is today, what may He ask for that would possibly hold you back?



Concluding Question

-Read Matthew 19:25-30. Into the "angst" of Peter (and likely all of the disciples) over their current sacrifice, what did Jesus promise? Do you think your sacrifice today of whatever He may call you to sacrifice, will be worth it? What will it take for you to make an increasing sacrifice, shall He ask?



Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?



Prayer

Begin to pray for those who may consider seeking Christ this Easter (Resurrection) Season!