

## ***The Life Most Blessed*** (Mark 10.17-31)

### I. Introduction. (Mark 10.17)

- A. An important question.
- B. A humble question:
  - 1. “ Good Teacher ”
  - 2. “What shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

### II. “And Jesus said to him...”

- A. “ Keep the commandments ” (Matthew 19.17)
  - 1. Jesus saw no conflict between inheritance (gift) and obedience .
  - 2. Inheritance demands showing the proper honor and respect for the One who offers it.
- B. “One thing you lack: go and sell ” (Mark 10.21)
  - 1. Real discipleship requires sacrifice .
  - 2. “Lay aside every encumbrance/weight and the sin which so easily entangles us” (Hebrews 12.1)
- C. “With people it is impossible, but not with God ; for all things are possible with God .” (Mark 10.27)
  - 1. Even with obedience and sacrifice, eternal life is an inheritance .
  - 2. In a word, grace .
- D. It is the life most blessed (Mark 10.29-30)
  - 1. “Now in the present age ”
  - 2. “And in the age to come, eternal life .”
- E. “But many who are first will be last , and the last , first .” (Mark 10.31)
  - 1. The life most blessed is not for those who trust in themselves or do nothing at all...
  - 2. But for those who will truly say, “Not my will, but Yours be done.” (Luke 22.42)