

GROWTH GROUPS

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“Questioning the King”

Matthew 19

Conversation Starter -

On what occasions would you expect to hear a less than honest question; a question motivated by something other than the desire simply to know and understand?

Understanding -

In chapter 18 the disciples asked “who’s the greatest?” With this question they revealed that their heart was still not aligned with the heart of the Father. Jesus said they needed to “change” if they want to enter the kingdom of heaven. Might the same exhortation be true for us? What do the questions we entertain reveal about our heart?

1. The questions asked by the Pharisees and the rich man were not designed to elicit an honest answer; an answer by which they could conform their lives in obedience to Jesus. **Why were these particular questions asked? What is the motive behind many of OUR questions?**
2. Where do the Pharisees derive their understanding of marriage? Where does Jesus point as he explains marriage? **As questions regarding marriage are being asked in our culture, where are we looking for answers?**
3. The Scripture says that the young man left Jesus sad, because he had great wealth. **In what way might wealth lead us away from Jesus? How might our money related questions serve as an indicator of our heart?**

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