





Rich Young Ruler

Mark 10:17-22

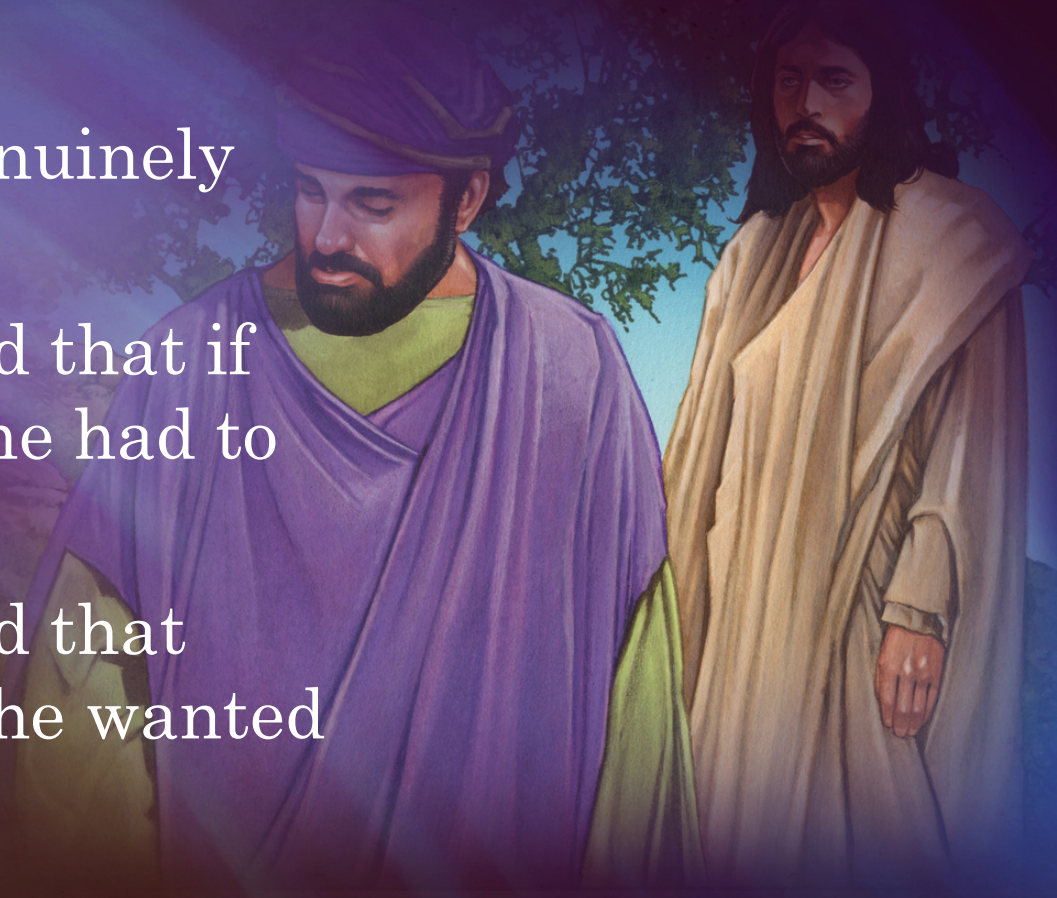
Two Important Questions:

1. Why did Jesus love the rich young ruler?
2. How did Jesus' love respond?



Why did Jesus love the rich young ruler?

1. He believed in God and in a better world to come.
2. He was a man who was genuinely interested in eternal life.
3. He was a man who realized that if he was going to be saved, he had to do something himself.
4. He was a man who realized that Jesus could tell him what he wanted to know.



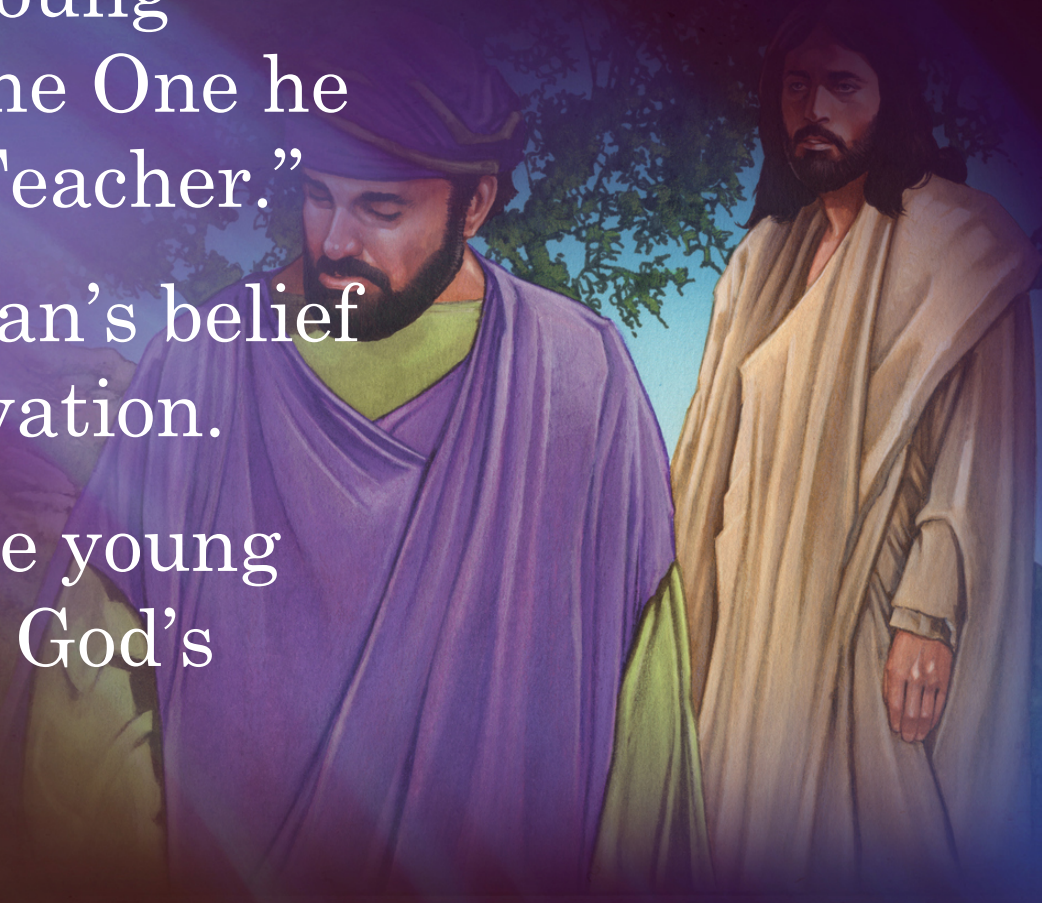
Why did Jesus love the rich young ruler?

5. He was a man who dared to associate with Jesus.
6. He was a man who had served God from his youth up.
7. He was a man who had respected the morality of God's law.
8. He was a man who longed to go on to perfection.



How did Jesus' love respond ?

1. Jesus challenged this young man's thinking about the One he was calling the "Good Teacher."
2. Jesus confirmed this man's belief in the possibility of salvation.
3. Jesus emphasized to the young ruler the importance of God's written word.



How did Jesus' love respond ?

4. Jesus told him what he needed to hear, even though it hurt!
5. Jesus demanded total commitment.
6. Jesus let him walk away in disobedience.



Comparing yourself to the rich young ruler:

1. “I don’t measure up.”
2. “I’m pretty much just like the rich young ruler.”
3. “I’m better than the rich young ruler”



