

## SERMON NOTES

Mark 10:17-22

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Lent is about releasing some things in order to receive something better... It's about letting go. It is a story about full and partial obedience.

### **IRONY: The Rich Young Ruler Encounters The King of Creation**

*Jesus already did what he was encouraging this rich young ruler to do. It was Jesus the Ruler of all Creation who left all... in order to save us all.*

### **Things That Keep Us From Full Obedience**

*We, like the rich young ruler, miss the point in such conversations with Jesus... it is never about the impoverishment of others... It's about the spiritual poverty of our own soul.*

### **CONCLUSION: The Excuses That Execute Us Daily**

*As followers of Jesus we repent, we learn from, and then we let go of the hurts, habits and hang-ups. So that Jesus can give us greater things.*

### **ACTION CARD**

What is it Jesus is inviting you to let go so He can give you something better? Or put another way...What is it that is keeping you from full obedience?

**The Rest of the Story...**