

Why Does Love Got To Be So Sad?

Real People (part 3)

The person who humbles himself
will be honored.

Luke 18:14 GWV



Tough Choices

All I had is less than worthless. It's a **huge minus** if I stick it up against having Jesus as my Boss.

Philippians 3:7 WSV

❖ Just

Anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God **like a little child** will never enter it.

Mark 10:15 NIV

❖ Impressing God

17As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

18"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "**No one is good—except God alone.**" 19You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"

20 "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

Mark 10:17-20 NIV

The very credentials these people are waving around as something special, I'm tearing up and throwing out with the trash—along with everything else I used to take credit for. ...everything I once thought I had going for me is insignificant—dog dung. **I've dumped it all in the trash so that I could embrace Christ and be embraced by him.** I didn't want some petty, inferior brand of righteousness that comes from keeping a list of rules when I could get the robust kind that comes from trusting Christ—God's righteousness.

Philippians 3:7-9 MSG

❖ Just Let Jesus

21 **Jesus looked at him and loved him.** "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

Mark 10:21 NIV

❖ It's Sad When I

22At this the man's face fell. **He went away sad**, because he had great wealth.

The man's face clouded over. This was the last thing he expected to hear, and he walked off with a heavy heart. **He was holding on tight to a lot of things, and not about to let go.**

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23Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"

24The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

26The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"

27Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; **all things are possible with God.**"

Mark 10:22-27 NIV

❖ If I Follow Jesus, It's

28Peter said to him, "We have left everything to follow you!"

29 "I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel 30will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life. 31But **many who are first will be last, and the last first.**"

Mark 10:15-31 NIV

I didn't receive God's approval by obeying his laws.
The opposite is true! I have God's approval
through faith in Christ.

Philippians 3:9 GNB