**Text**: Mark 10:17-23

**Topic**: Gospel/Evangelism/Idolatry

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**The Great Wall**

“Overcoming the obstacles in the way of following Christ.”

**Text**: **Mark 10:17-22**, “And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” **18** And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. **19** You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’ ” **20** And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” **21** And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” **22** Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. **23**And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” **English Standard Version**

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**Point #1**: **Recognize** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **vv.17-20**

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**Point #2**: **Repent** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **vv.21-22**

**Corollary Verses**: Exodus 20:3-17; Philippians 3:4-6; Matthew 5:21-28; Romans 3:10-12; Mark 7:21-22; Jeremiah 17:9; Luke 5:1-8; Luke 19:1-10; and 2 Corinthians 7:10.

**Application Questions**

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today’s sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to the questions listed below will assist you in gaining a better understanding of the point of this passage. Please be prepared to discuss your answers with your Home Fellowship Groups.

1.) Read **Ezekiel 36:26-27**, **1 Corinthians 1:18**, **2:14**, **Ephesians 2:1-3**, **Romans 3:23** and **Psalm 14:1-3** then answer the following questions. How does the Bible describe mankind’s spiritual condition apart from Christ? How many people in the world, throughout history, have been good enough to go to heaven?

2.) Read **Isaiah 64:6 and Ephesians 2:10** then answer the following questions. How does the prophet describe our so-called good deeds? What’s the difference between a believer’s good deeds and a non-believer’s good deeds? Isaiah is describing their spiritual uncleanness in graphic terms. Therefore, how offensive are your good deeds to God?

3.)Read **James 1:25**; **Psalm 19:7**; and **James 2:10-11** then answer the following questions. The Ten Commandments are not simply a list of do’s and don’ts. But they are a reflection of the character and nature of God. According to these passages, what are the Ten Commandments designed to do? Why is it absolutely essential to use the Ten Commandments when presenting the gospel? What potentially happens if the Ten Commandments are not used?

4.) Read **Ephesians 4:17-19**, **Jeremiah 17:9** and **Mark 7:21-23** then answer the following questions. How do these passages describe the heart of a person who has not repented of their sins and trusted in Christ as their Lord and Savior? What needs to happen first according to the **Ezekiel 36:26**?