

Melbourne Community Church (MCC)

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2. Divorce (as a general rule) is wrong and shouldn't be done
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4. Sexual sin can justify a divorce
5. Sexual sin can justify a remarriage
6. Staying single to better serve the Lord is a good option

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Does the kingdom belong to just children? If not, to who then?

Do the disciples rebuke the young man from interrupting Jesus' journey? How is different from the parents of the children? ([Matthew 19:16-30](#))

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Why would the young man ask which commandments he should kept to obtain eternal life?

Jesus lists a summary of the last five of the ten commandments (second tablet). Why only those last five?

What two things does Jesus command that *this man* should do? What other thing should this young man (and all of us) do?

What, instead of who, did the young man worship?

What seems impossible for the rich young man to do, who can do the impossible?

What do those receive in the life to come that have followed *Him* and kept *his* commandments?

The vineyard owner contracts for the days work. Later, he finds others looking for work and hires them also. Why would the owner pay them all a full days wage? ([Matthew 20:1-16](#))

Finally, Jesus makes a final remark that summaries this triptych, the bookend of the inclusion. What was the title of this sermon? (see [Matthew 19:30](#) and [Matthew 20:16](#))

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