

# Luke 18: 15-30

## Tiny Toddlers and rich rulers



Think about and discuss one or two questions from each section.

### The text – Luke 18:15-30

1. Read Luke 18:15-30. In this passage, Luke contrasts two events as Jesus continues on the road to Jerusalem – Jesus and the tiny toddlers (18:15-17) and Jesus and the very wealthy, young ruler (18:18-30). What does Jesus mean by his words in 18:17?
2. Jesus asks the young ruler why he calls Jesus a “good teacher.” Why do you think he does?
3. What does Jesus expose about this young ruler by his words in 18:22?
4. What is your response to the question that is asked in 18:26: “Who then can be saved?”
5. What does Jesus mean by “this age” and “the age to come” in 18:30?

### The Scriptures – Luke 18:15-30 as a portion of the Scriptures

6. Psalm 131 is a lovely, short psalm. How does this psalm pick up some of the teaching of Jesus in 18:15-17?
7. Read one of the other accounts of Jesus’ meeting with the rich, young ruler – either Matthew 19:16-29 or Mark 10:17-30 – and compare it with the account here in Luke.
8. There are many warnings about wealth and both Luke’s writings and other NT letters. Read and discuss the words of 1 Timothy 6:6-10.

### Our lives – walking the way of Jesus in response to Luke 18:15-30 as a portion of the Scriptures

9. What is one important challenge to you life from this passage of Scripture?
10. How can we pray and support you in your discipleship as a result of God’s word in Luke 18:15-30?