

Introduction

1. Jesus answers the Pharisees who attempt to trap Him.
2. Our Lord emphasizes what one must do to be saved.
3. Great questions are asked in this chapter.

Select Verses



- 19:3-9 - *“The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? ⁽⁴⁾And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, ⁽⁵⁾And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? ⁽⁶⁾Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. ⁽⁷⁾They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away? ⁽⁸⁾He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so. ⁽⁹⁾And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.*
- 19:14 - *“But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.”*
- 19:16 - *“And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?”*
- 19:23-26 - *“Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. ⁽²⁴⁾And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. ⁽²⁵⁾When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed,*

saying, *Who then can be saved?* ⁽²⁶⁾ But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, *With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.*

19:27 - *“Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?”*

19:29 - *“And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name’s sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.”*



Select Thoughts / Themes

1. Jesus teaches regarding marriage, divorce and remarriage. He refers to God’s desire in the beginning.
2. Salvation and what is requires / costs is clearly detailed.
3. The disciples often asked Jesus questions. In what context did they ask Jesus, *“Who then can be saved?”* (vs. 23-26).
4. Jesus demands we surrender all to Him. He must be first!
5. Multitudes followed Christ but not all wanted to do as He said.



To Consider Further...

1. Is there ANY reason for putting away a spouse? Explain your answer.
2. What is the ONLY exception? Can the guilty ever marry again? Is the innocent one free to marry again?
3. In what way are *“little children”* as the kingdom of heaven?
4. What was the *“priority”* of the man in verses 16-22?
5. What are followers of Christ promised if they are willing to forsake family and wealth?