



Hindering Grace

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Romans 7:15-16a & 18b (NIV)

Mark 10:17-21 (NIV)

Q—When Jesus looks at you, what do you think He sees?

Mark 10:22 (NIV)

Q—What is the one thing you lack?

Mark 10:23-25 (NIV)

God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. James 4:6b (NIV)

Mark 10:26-27 (NIV)

Romans 3:23-24a (NCV)

Today's Core Truth: Grace is always hindered due to pride but always available to those who are willing to surrender all.

In surrendering all through a pathway of humility:

⇒ **Understand that _____ we have is His and sometimes He wants it back.**

Psalms 24:1 (NIV)

Ecclesiastes 2:11 (NIV)

NEXTsteps : I will let go of _____ this week.

⇒ **Realize there will be times that He will express His _____ through our weakness.**

1 Corinthians 1:27-29 (NIV)

⇒ **Know that any point in time when pride _____, His grace diminishes.**

Hebrews 12:6a & 10b (NIV)

Philippians 2:8-11 (NIV)

Q—What is the one thing you still lack?

ANSWER KEY: everything, power, surfaces



Study & Discussion for Your Next Small Group

Theme: *Give All?*

Share Together: What is something you had a tough time giving away, giving up or getting rid of (e.g., a childhood toy, a certain piece of clothing, job, hobby, etc.)?

Reflect together: What impacted you the most from Sunday's message?

Read Together: Mark 10:17-27

Discuss Together:

- What was the motive behind the question of the man who ran up to Jesus?
- Why does Jesus respond by listing commandments? Isn't that the opposite of what the gospel says about grace versus good works?
- What does Jesus tell this rich young leader to do and why?
- What do you think was Jesus' motive in giving him such an extreme challenge in order to follow Him?
- What was the one thing this man lacked?
- How is what we lack more than an issue of wealth?
- What is "one thing you lack" in order to fully follow Jesus?
- What was the man's response and how did the disciples react?
- How do we "sell out" and surrender all, realistically, to truly follow Jesus?
- What does Jesus say is impossible but with God all things are possible?
- When has there been a time in your life that God made the impossible possible?
- What "impossible" thing(s) would you like to see God do in your life?

Pray Together: Take time to share how God has answered prayer and other prayer requests that you have today.