

<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Ice Breaker</b> : If your house were on fire, what three items would you try to save and why?
<b>Worship ideas</b>	<b>Suggested songs</b> : - 392 <i>More love, more power</i> ; 435 <i>O magnify the Lord with me</i> ; 692 <i>Come Let Us Worship Jesus</i> . (NB: 20 files containing about 30 'newer' songs are still available to borrow from the office for groups)
<b>Word</b> (refs.↓)	<i>some suggestions for discussion here – you might prefer to focus on just 2 or 3 questions</i>
Mark 10:17-31	How do you feel about this man? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sorry for him – he couldn't help being rich?</li> <li>• Disappointed in him – he walked away from Jesus?</li> <li>• Upset – Jesus should not have been so hard on him?</li> <li>• Frustrated – do I have to give up everything I have too?</li> </ul>
Mark 10:17-31	<b>What is Jesus teaching us in this passage? (choose one or more answers)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wealth is evil</b></li> <li>• <b>Commitment to him must be total</b></li> <li>• <b>Giving is part of discipleship</b></li> <li>• <b>Following Jesus means we have to sacrifice</b></li> <li>• <b>Eternal life is more important than earthly life</b></li> <li>• <b>We can only be saved by God's doing not our own</b></li> </ul>
	What would you do if Jesus asked you to sell everything you had and give the proceeds to the poor?
	Being honest, what are your top priorities in life right now?
	How much has your commitment to Jesus and his way of life influenced your values?
Mark 10:23	Why is it so hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven?
Mark 10:24	What does the disciples' shock (amazement) reveal about them?
Mark 10:29-31	According to verses 29-31 what might you lose by following Jesus? What will you gain? Which carries the greater sacrifice
	If Jesus were to evaluate your life, what would He say holds you back from being totally committed to God? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wealth</li> <li>• Apathy</li> <li>• Family or friends</li> <li>• Habits or temptations</li> <li>• Doubts about issues of faith</li> <li>• Something else</li> </ul>
<b>Discuss</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name one thing you can do this week to let go of material things and embrace God's kingdom more fully.</li> </ul>
<b>Witness</b>	<p><b>Pray</b></p> <p><b>How am I going to live in the light of this passage?</b></p> <p>Tithe my income/pension (commit to giving 10% of my net/gross income to the church)?</p> <p>Tithe my will?</p> <p>Give generously of time and energy in the Lord's service?</p> <p>Other?</p> <p>For further reflection, look up the work of Christians Against Poverty via <a href="https://www.CAPuk.org">https://www.CAPuk.org</a> and/or watch the very positive recent BBC documentary 'The Debt Saviours' on BBC iplayer (please note the programme contains some swearing).</p>

