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August 1

The New Testament tells us about a man of high status who could not fully follow Jesus because he loved his money too much. You can read this story for yourself in Luke 18. Jesus summed up the encounter by sharing how hard it is for rich people to give control of their wealth to another, even God.

It's not only money people struggle with in efforts to stay in control. Often times people find it difficult to yield their opinions, cease their pursuits, give up in some struggle, even when they find themselves running contrary to God's Word and Will. Submission to the Lordship of Jesus demands that we put Him on the throne of our life. Jesus left His throne in glory for you; How hard is it for you to leave your throne for Him?

Prayer for Today

Lord, You gave Your Son Jesus for me. It is nothing for me to yield control of my life to You. I know You have a good plan for me. Help me to discern areas of my life where I still want to be in control. You alone are God!

Scriptures for Today

Mark 8:35-36 If you try to keep your life for yourself, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will find true life. And how do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul in the process? (NLT)