

## **Series: JESUS IS THE SUBJECT**

### **Title: The One Thing**

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1. In this week's story (Mark 10:17-31) Jesus puts his finger on what needs our attention. Kip's big idea is unforgettable. "When anything becomes the ultimate thing, we'll miss out on the One thing." You may want to say that aloud as a group!
2. How did Kip define idolatry and what are some examples we need to be aware of today? Along that line, how do you know you have an idol in your life?
3. What do you admire about how Jesus brought this man's idol to his attention?
4. Was there an ultimate thing in your life before you met Jesus? How deeply did it control you? Why did you trade that in for him?
5. Why do you think the rich young ruler came to Jesus if he already saw himself as such a good person?
6. Does Jesus ask everyone to give away all their possessions to the poor? Is this a universal expectation, a unique one or what?
7. Do you know anyone or have you read about someone who has given up their possessions to follow Jesus? What were your thoughts about that? How did that work out for them?
8. How do we guard ourselves from letting anything or anyone else become the ultimate thing?
9. Looking at verses 28-31 describe the rewards for following Jesus in this life and later. Are those rewards just for the early followers of Jesus or for us as well?
10. Why doesn't Jesus censure Peter for being interested in rewards?
11. This question is only for the brave: what idol do you think you need to de-construct? Can you tell the group?