



KINGDOM COMPASS – PART 2

POWER AND PRIVILEGE

MARK 10

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Secret Billionaire: The Chuck Feeney Story

RECOGNIZE YOUR PRIVILEGE

MARK 10:17-22

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. **“Good teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”**

¹⁸ “Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, **you shall not defraud**, honor your father and mother.’”

²⁰ “Teacher,” he declared, “all these I have kept since I was a boy.”

²¹ Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

²² At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because **he had great wealth.**

Let’s recognize the blessings that contribute to our privilege (which many others do not share).

Let’s resist perpetuating systems which benefit us but harm others who don’t share our power and privilege.

Let’s oppose and dismantle systems which benefit us but harm others who don’t share our power and privilege.

DON’T BE POSSESSED BY YOUR POSSESSIONS

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PHILIPPIANS 2:5-8

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶Who, being in very nature God,

did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷rather, he made himself nothing

by taking the very nature of a servant,

being made in human likeness.

⁸And being found in appearance as a man,

he humbled himself

by becoming obedient to death—

even death on a cross!

We follow a Lord who gave up His privilege and used His power to serve the lost, the needy, the poor, the lowly, and the powerless. If you follow Him, where do you think He’s going to lead you? To give up your privilege and use your power to serve the lost, the needy, the poor, the lowly, and the powerless.

LUKE 12:48

From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.

Following Jesus, our power and privilege can be redeemed and directed in a way that they won’t pull us off course, but help us find eternal life in God’s Kingdom.