## THE KEY TO CHRIST'S KINGDOM

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PEOPLE BUY INTO CHRISTIANITY SO EASILY AND FIND IT
DISAPPOINTING BECAUSE ALOT OF PEOPLE INCLUDING
SOME PASTORS MAKE CHRISTIANITY SO CHEAP

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MARK 10:17-26 (NLT)

17. As Jesus was starting out on his way to Jerusalem, a man came running up to him, knelt down, and asked, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

- 20. "Teacher," the man replied, "I've obeyed all these commandments since I was young."
- 21. Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him. "There is still one thing you haven't done," he told him. "Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."
- 24. This amazed them. But Jesus said again, "Dear Children, it is very hard to enter the Kingdom of God.

25. In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!"

26. The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked.

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#### 2 LIES IN OUR CULTURE

1. THAT JESUS IS OUR SAVIOR AND DOESN'T DO ANYTHING ELSE FOR US

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2. HE MAKES LIFE PERFECT AS SOON AS WE ACCEPT HIM AS SAVIOR.

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# PEOPLE HAVE BOUGHT INTO A CARDBOARD VERSION OF THE REAL CROSS

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Jesus never said this walk would be easy. He said it would be worth it

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1. You have not only been called to BELIEVE, you've been called to OBEY

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Merely "believing" in Jesus Christ does NOT make someone an Authentic Christian. If that's all it took, satan would be one!

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JAMES 2:19-20 ( NLT )

19. You say you have faith, for you believe that there is one God. Good for you! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble in terror.

20. How foolish! Can't you see that faith without good deeds is useless?

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2. Jesus wants more than a date, he wants a bride

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Mark 10:21B (NLT)
21. Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

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LUKE 9:23 (NLT)

Then he said to the crowd, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me

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Everyone wants a savior but not everyone wants a LORD.

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LORDSHIP = AN END OF LIFE ON MY OWN TERMS.

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3. TO LIVE FOR JESUS MEANS TO DIE TO SELF

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## The cross is where your desires for your life and God's desires for your life collide

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