Get Real Part 6: Real People Aren't Good Enough Matthew 19:16-22

Intro:

As 'real people' we often feel inadequate and insecure. We like to highlight our faults and failures and be our own worst critics. Then when you add in the religious aspect, we see that we totally fall short.

This man in Matthew who came up to Jesus thought he was doing pretty good, but Jesus showed him that in spit of his own efforts, he still was not good enough.

Big Idea: Real People Aren't Good Enough, But Jesus Makes You Good Enough

Jesus Makes You Good Enough:

1. Because the Gospel is a cross... not a ladder, treadmill, or scorecard

Works-based, performance oriented religion sends us on a never-ending search for something we already have in Christ.

Ladder: Climb Up

Treadmill: Never ending performance Scorecard: My spiritual check-list

Romans 4:6-8, 2 Corinthians 5:19, Psalm 130:3-4

2. The question isn't "Am I good enough", the question should be: "Is Jesus Good Enough"?

Hebrews 10:12, 14

Our salvation is not based upon our works, but upon Jesus' work, so the question is 'was Jesus' work good enough?' – I believe the answer is YES!

3. Grace + The Finished Work of Christ = GOOD ENOUGH

Romans 5:17-19

Justification = Declared or Made Righteous

In Christ you are JUSTIFIED AND RIGHTEOUS... that means you're GOOD ENOUGH... it means you're JUST LIKE JESUS! And the best part is... IT'S A GIFT!