

Under the Hood: The Ignition Switch

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Bible References:

Matthew 28:18-19

Luke 18:18-23

Jesus' interaction with Ralph:

How to find eternal life according to Jesus:

What got in Ralph's way:

Reflection Questions:

1. What was the first car that you ever owned personally?
2. Read Mathew 18:18-19. Jesus left his followers with the job of making disciples. What are the three ways that he tells us to do that in this passage?
3. What did we say Sunday being baptized meant to someone in the 1st century?
4. Read Luke 18:18-24.
5. What stands out to you about this passage?
6. What did it mean for "Ralph" to be a rich young ruler? Why do you think that all that it meant was not enough for him?
7. Have you ever known someone who "had it all" and yet sensed something critical was missing?
8. What was Jesus getting at when he tells Ralph that God alone is good?
9. When asked how to find eternal life, why does Jesus point Ralph to the observable commandments?
10. Have you ever known someone who was obeying all the religious rules and yet was not spiritually satisfied? Why does it work that way?
11. Why does Jesus tell Ralph to sell all he has and give it away?
12. Have you ever known someone who allowed good a thing in their life to become the ultimate thing in their life? Why does that keep them from a genuine relationship with God?
13. Before you surrendered your life to Jesus, what was it that was keeping you from that decision? Or if you haven't done so yet, what is keeping you from doing so?