What Must I Do to Have Eternal Life?

Scripture: Mark 10:13-31

Also: Mark 10:45; Hebrews 1:1-4; John 5:19; 6:38; 1 Timothy 6:10; Matthew 5:6; Psalm 16:11

Questions

- 1. What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the Scriptures in it?
- 2. Read Mark 10:13-31.
- 3. The main point of this week's sermon was: The helpless dependence of a child is the requirement for eternal life.
 - What do children do that demonstrates they are sinful?
 - What do they do that demonstrates they are dependent?
- 4. Jesus wanted children to come to Him.
 - What is the greatest danger to children in the US? In the rest of the world?
 - What could our church do to love the children around us more? What about globally?
- 5. We should come to Jesus as dependent children. List some of the qualities of children when it comes to them living in dependence on their parents.
 - The qualities of self-reliance are helpful in this life, they are terrible qualities when it comes to eternal life.
 - Many people today believe that they deserve to go to heaven because they're not as bad as others around them
 - How can you talk with a friend who might believe that?
- 6. This passage encourages us to get rid of everything that hinders us from being dependent like children are, and there can be nothing in my life that competes with God. (Here are some other questions to help you discern that; sometimes asking the same thing from different angles can help get us past our blind spots.)
 - What is in your life that you refuse to give up and it sits on the shelf of your life as a mini-god?
 - What is it in your life that you run to for joy? For satisfaction? For security?
 - What makes you angry? Brings you hope?
 - What in your life, if it were taken away from you, would make you feel as though your world was caving in?
- 7. How do Christians sometimes make it look like following Jesus is based on what we do?
 - How can we change this perception?
 - Why did Jesus make this particular demand of the rich young ruler? What demand might he make of you?
 - What is your functional identity/savior?
- What questions does this passage, or this sermon leave you with?