

# The Servant King



The story of the *King*... who came to *serve*.



*“For the old system dealt only with certain rituals what foods to eat and drink, rules for washing themselves, rules about this and that. The people had to keep these rules to tide them over until Christ came with God's new and better way.”*

Hebrews 9:10

17 As he was starting out on a trip, a man came running up to Jesus, knelt down, and asked, “*Good Teacher, what should I do to get eternal life?*” *Mark 10*

*18 “Why do you call me good?”  
Jesus asked. “Only God is truly  
good. 19 But as for your question,  
you know the commandments:  
‘Do not murder. Do not commit  
adultery. Do not steal. Do not  
testify falsely. Do not cheat.  
Honor your father and mother.’”*

20 “*Teacher,*” the man replied, “*I’ve obeyed all these commandments since I was a child.*”<sup>21</sup> Jesus felt genuine love for this man as he looked at him.

*“You lack only one thing,”* he told him. *“Go and sell all you have and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”*<sup>22</sup> At this, the man’s face fell, and he went sadly away because he had many possessions.

# False Assumption #1:

*What I have is*  
*PROBABLY ENOUGH*  
*to have a right*  
*relationship with God.*



• He was RICH

• He was YOUNG

• He was a RULER

• He was HUMBLE

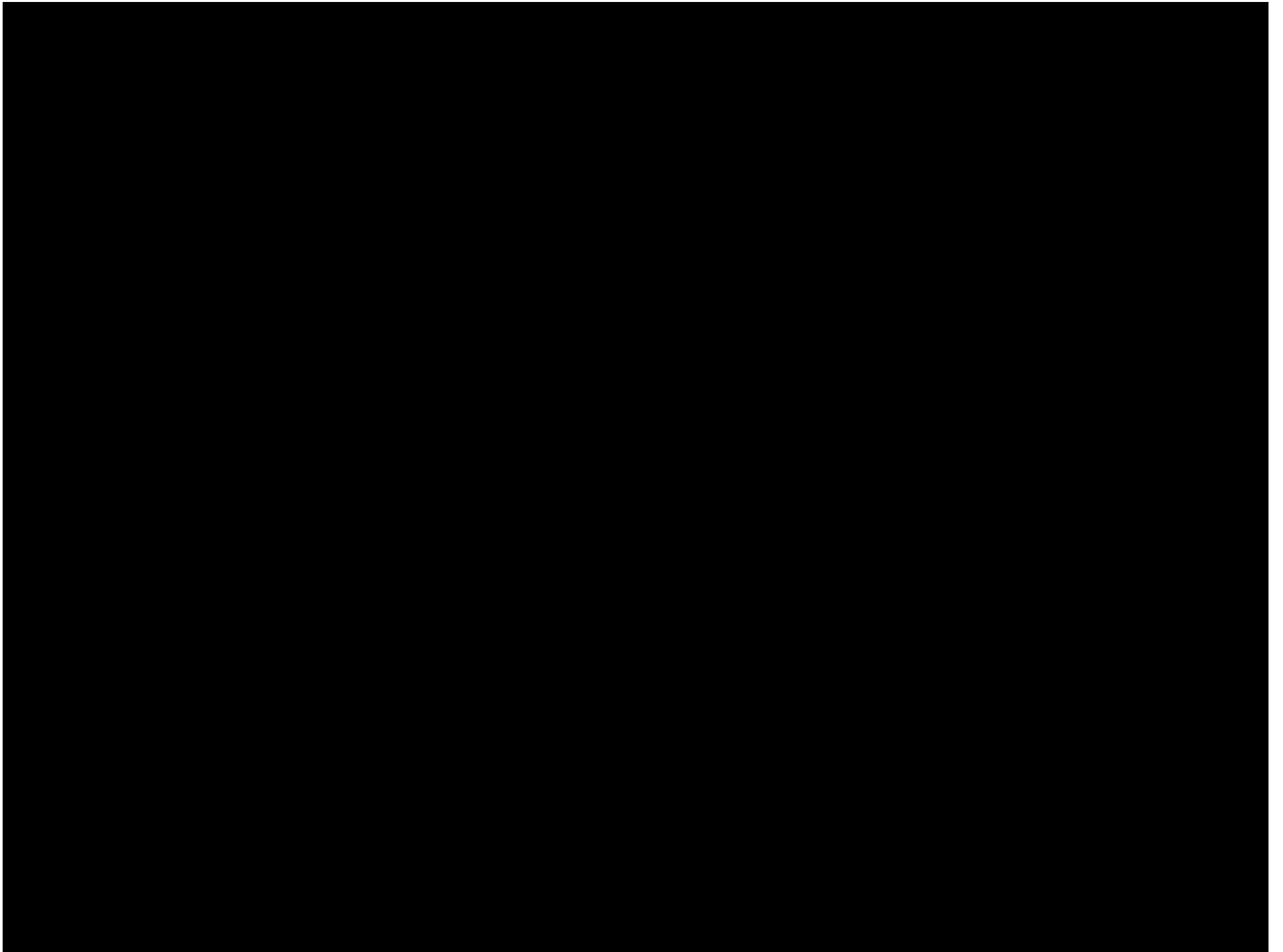
• He was  
SPIRITUALLY  
SENSITIVE

• He was MORAL



# False Assumption #2:

*If what I have isn't  
enough, I can  
DO MORE  
to earn my way  
into heaven.*



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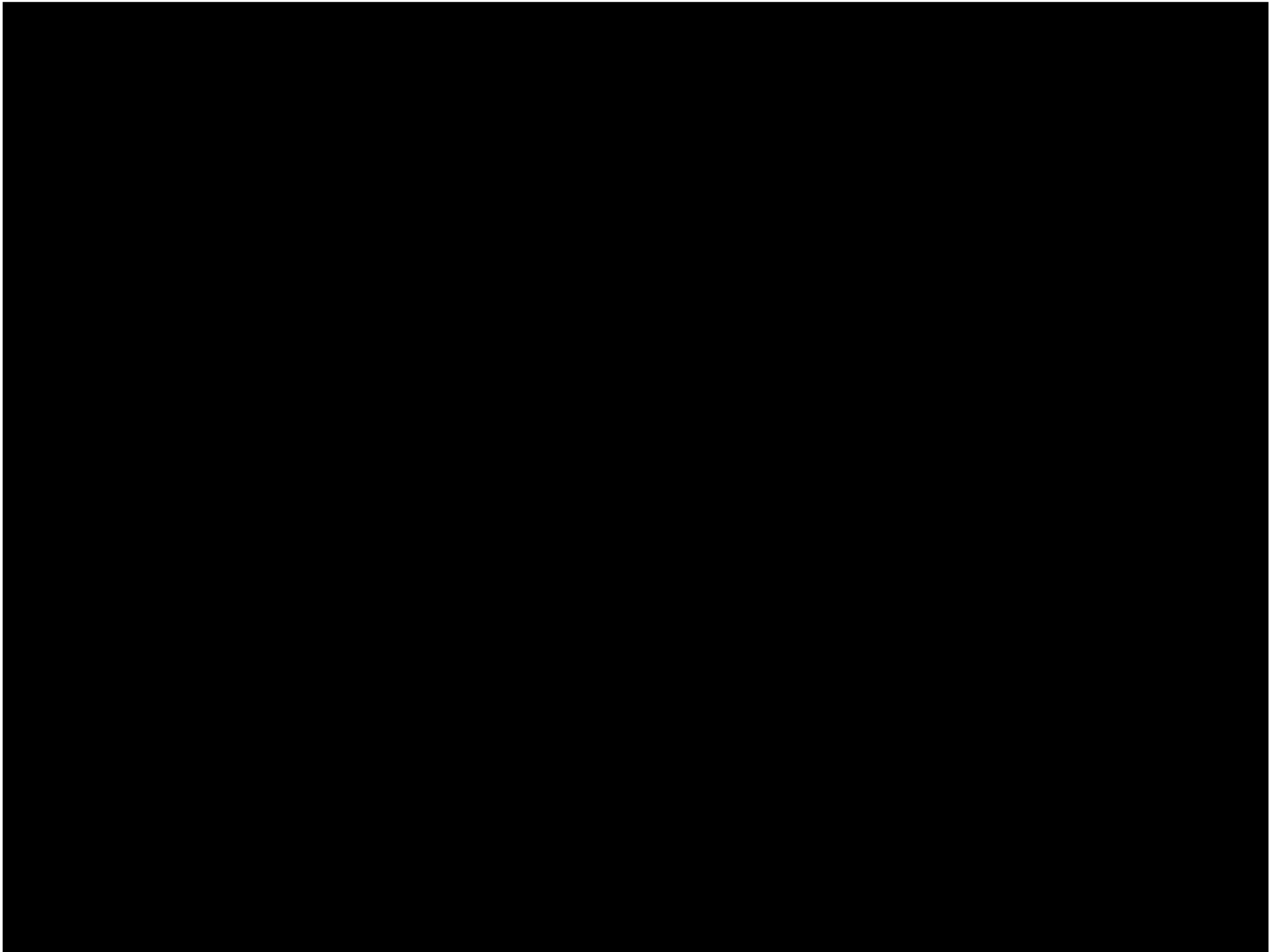
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Jesus understands our weaknesses, for he faced all the same temptations as we do, yet He did not sin.

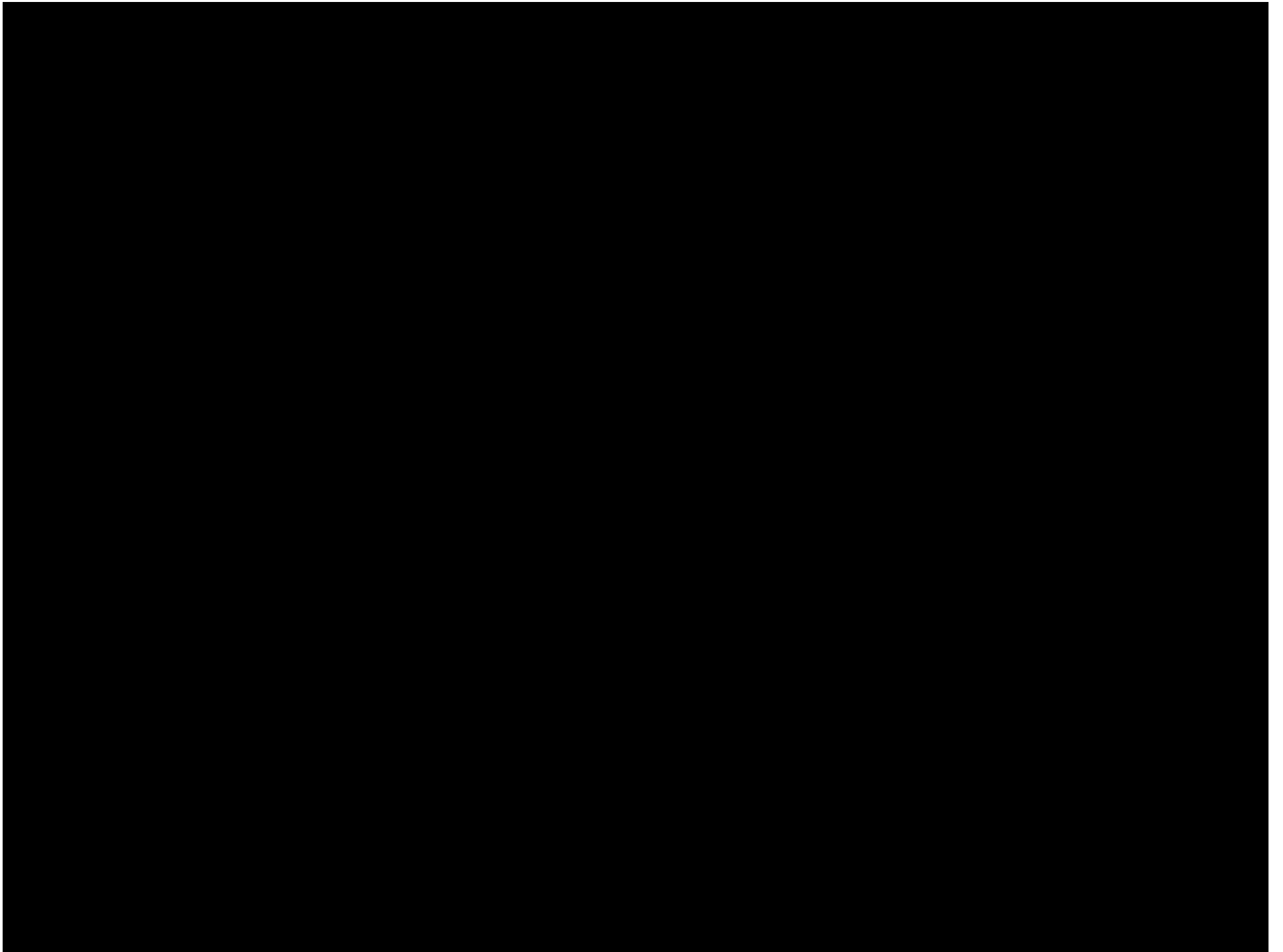
Hebrews 4:15

“But now God has shown us a different way of being right in His sight, not by obeying the law. That’s rules, rituals and religion. But by the way promised in the Scriptures long ago. We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins and we all can be saved the same way no matter who we are or what we’ve done.” Romans 3:21-22



# False Assumption #3:

*I can trust Jesus with*  
ONLY PART *of my life and*  
*still be completely*  
RIGHT *with God.*



Jesus looked around and  
said to his disciples, *“How  
hard it is for rich people to  
get into the Kingdom of  
God!”* Mark 10:23

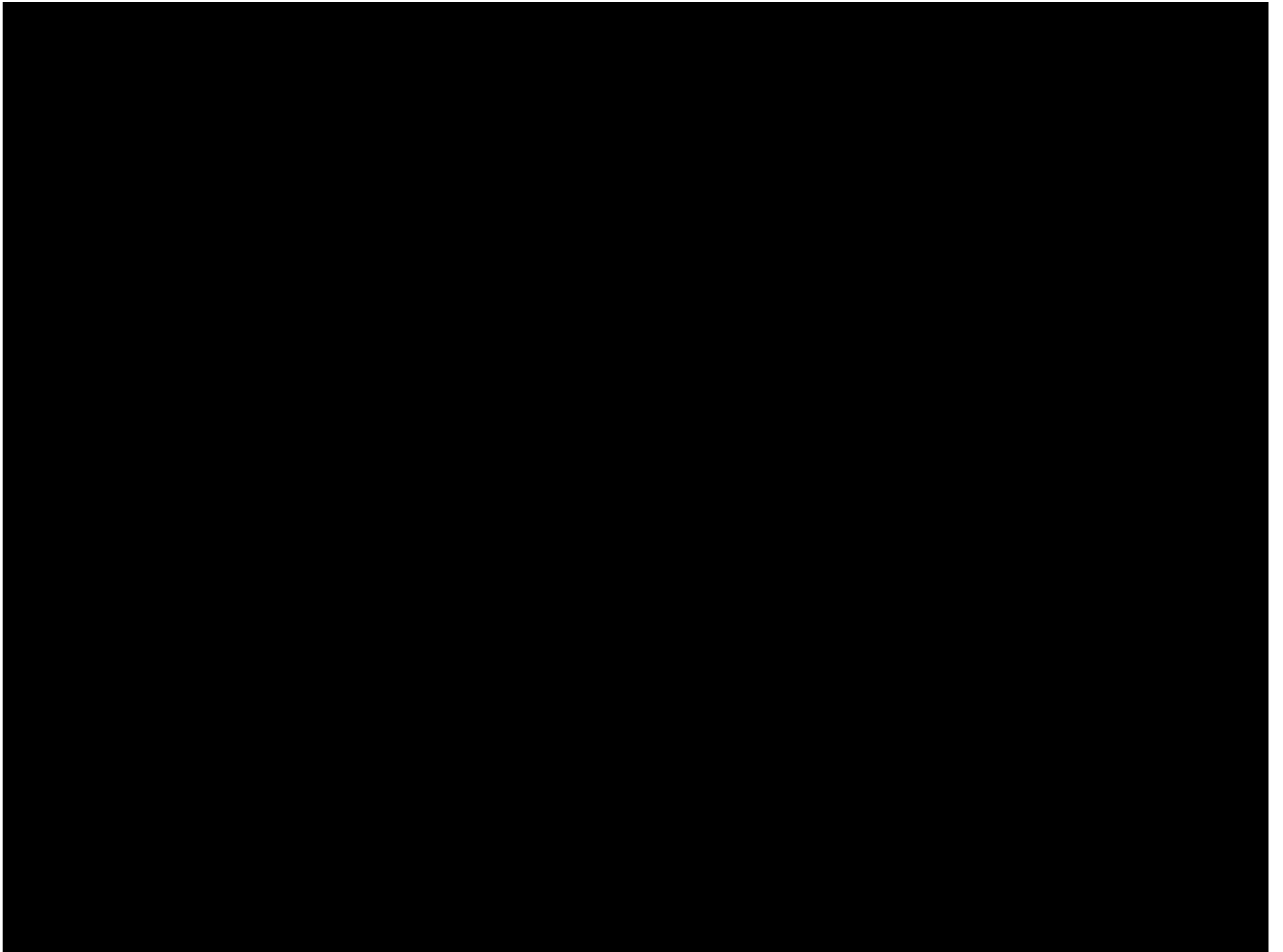
This amazed them. But Jesus said again, “Dear children, it is very hard to get into the Kingdom of God. <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!”

Mark 10:24,25

The disciples were astounded.  
“Then who in the world can be saved?” they asked.<sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them intently and said, “Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But not with God, everything is possible with God.”

Mark 10:26,27





“Truly I tell you,” Jesus replied, “no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel 30 will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

Mark 10:29-31

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. **18** Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. **19** In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. 1 Timothy 6:17-19

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

