

Rich Young Ruler

(Based on Mark 10:17-31,
Matthew 19:16-20:16, Luke 18:18-30)

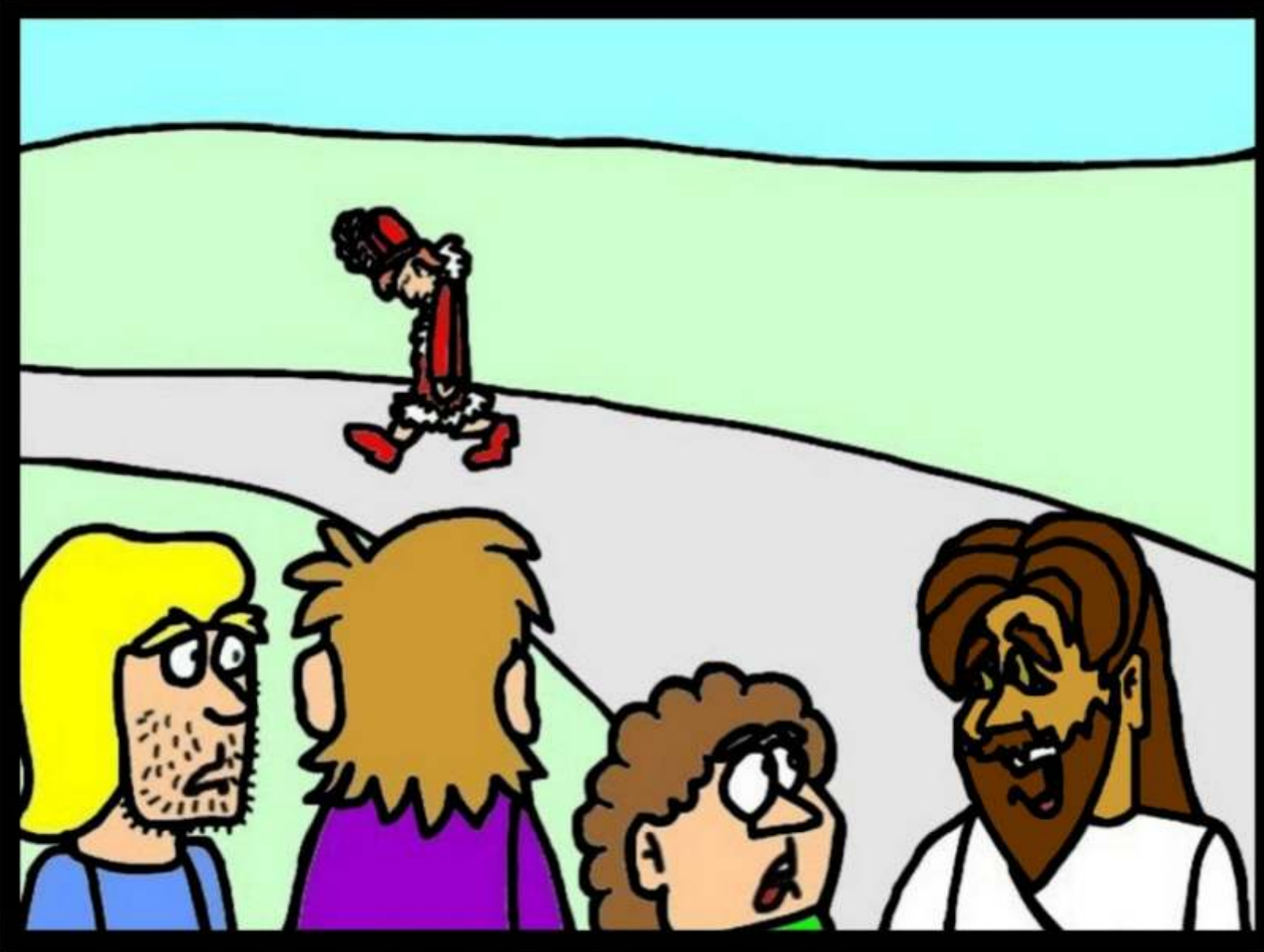
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A young man kneeled before Jesus and asked, "Good Master, what do I have to do to have eternal life?" Jesus said, "You know the commandments, do not murder, do not commit adultery, love your neighbour as yourself."



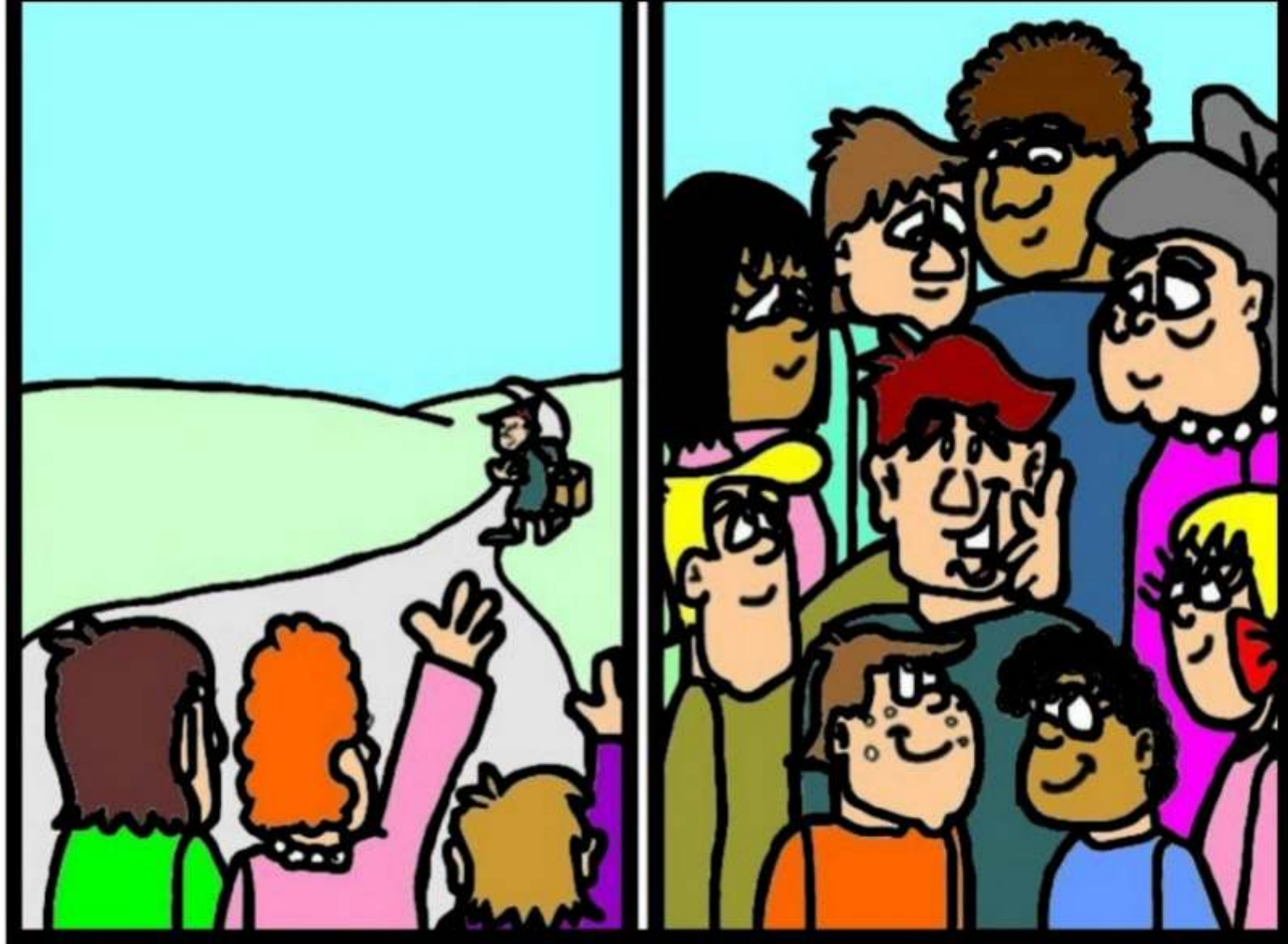
"I have been doing these things since I was little," answered the man. "What am I still missing?" "If you want to be perfect, then sell your stuff, give to the poor, come follow me and you will have treasure in heaven," answered Jesus.



The young man became very sad because he was rich and had a lot of stuff. He turned and walked away. Jesus said to his disciples, "It is very hard for people who trust in their riches, to enter into the kingdom of God."



Peter said, "Lord we have left everything to follow you. What will we have?" Jesus answered, "When I come back and sit on my throne, you will sit on twelve thrones and you will be the judges over the people of Israel."



"Everyone that has left their house, or family for the kingdom of God will have 100 times as much in this life! They will have brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands. They will also be picked on because of their faith in me and in the age to come they will have eternal life."



Lord, help me not to let anything hold me back from following you.