

# **Salvation is Humanly Impossible**

Matthew 19:23-26

(series #110)

**Intro:** the assumption that love means no standards

## **I. The Background of Jesus' Teaching vv. 16-22**

- A. He tried to get the young man to see his sin
- B. He tried to get the young man to see his heart

## **II. The Statement to the Disciples v. 23**

- A. It would have been shocking to them
- B. The belief was wealth = God's pleasure
- C. The issue is pride and self-sufficiency
- D. The explanation in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:26-31
  - 1. "Not many" does not mean "not any"
  - 2. Achievement can be a hindrance

## **III. The Reinforcement of the Statement v. 24**

- A. This was a Jewish figure of speech
- B. Salvation is humanly impossible

## **IV. Who Then Can Be Saved? vv. 25-26**

- A. The understanding of the disciples v. 25
- B. The explanation of Jesus v. 26

**Concluding applications:** Our only hope is God's grace