

TELL THE BIBLE STORY

- ' Open your Bible to Luke 18 and tell the Bible story in your own words. **Option:** Show the “Notebook Bible Story” video.

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TELL THE BIBLE STORY: JESUS ANSWERED THE RULER’S QUESTION

One day a young ruler wanted to talk with Jesus. The ruler called Jesus “Good Teacher,” then he asked what he must do to inherit eternal life.

Jesus began to answer the young man’s question. He looked at the ruler and asked, “Why do you call me good?” Jesus explained that only God is good. Then Jesus remarked that the young man knew the commandments that God had given to be obeyed. Jesus even named some of the commandments.

Keep your marriage promises. Do not kill.

Do not steal.

Do not lie.

Honor your father and mother.

“I have kept all of these since I was young,” the ruler said.

Then Jesus told him there was one more thing that he should do.

“Sell everything that you have and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, and follow me.” When the ruler heard what Jesus said, he became very sad because he was very rich. That day, the young man chose to keep his riches instead of following Jesus.

—BASED ON LUKE 18:18-23

REVIEW QUESTIONS

- Who called Jesus “Good teacher?” (*the young ruler*)
- Who did Jesus say is good? (*only God*)
- Did the ruler know and keep God’s Commandments? (*yes*)
- Name some of God’s Commandments that Jesus named. (*Keep your marriage promises. Do not kill. Do not steal.*)

Do not lie. Honor your father and mother.)

➤ What question did the young ruler ask Jesus? (*what he must do to inherit eternal life*)

➤ What did Jesus tell the young man he should do? (*sell everything he had and give it to the poor, then follow Jesus*)

➤ What choice did the ruler make? (*He chose to keep his riches instead of following Jesus.*)

➤ Was the ruler happy or sad when he heard Jesus' response? (*sad*)

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