



**CHOOSE
TO
LIVE**

*Distinguishing Possessing Life
from Experiencing Life*

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Choose To Live

Jesus differentiated possessing spiritual life from experiencing abundant life (John 10:10b). This book addresses those distinctions first in the conversation between Jesus and the rich young ruler and second in Jesus' exchanged-life teaching of saving life by losing life. In each case when Jesus said, "Follow Me," His call *never* referred to salvation; rather His appeal was a call to discipleship for those who were already saved. Jesus' instructions to the rich young ruler were two-directional: first, *going* to sell and to give away his earthly wealth in order to possess spiritual life and second, *returning* to follow Jesus in discipleship in order to experience abundant life. Jesus' exchanged-life teaching is embedded within His calls to discipleship. Experiencing an enriched life is only available to believers who *choose to follow* Jesus in discipleship; they *Choose to Live* in intimate fellowship with Him.

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