

## How To Impress Jesus

What do I need to stop doing in 2024?

Mark 10:17- As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Mark 10:18 "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone."

Mark 10:19-20 "You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup> "Teacher," he [the young man] declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

Mark 10:21-22 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

<sup>22</sup> At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

Mark 12:30-31 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. <sup>31</sup> The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' [g] There is no commandment greater than these."

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The Ragamuffin Gospel: Good News for the Bedraggled, Beat-Up, and Burnt Out by Brennan Manning

"[The gospel] is not for the super-spiritual...It is not for red-hot zealots who boast with the rich young ruler of the gospels: "All these commandments I have kept from my youth." It is not for the complacent, hoisting over their shoulder a tote-bag of honors, diplomas, and good works actually believing they have it made...[The gospel is for] the bedraggled, beat-up, and burnt-out...It is for the wobbly and weak-kneed who know they don't have it altogether and are too proud to accept the handout of amazing grace."

"My deepest awareness of myself is that I am deeply loved by Jesus Christ and I have done nothing to earn it or deserve it." Tune my heart to sing Your mercy. To sing Your unfailing love  
Tune my heart to sing Your goodness. To sing Your grace, tune my heart.

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