

RISKY BUSINESS:
Walking with God on the Ragged Edge
(Mark 10:28-31)

**I. The Great Perplexity: Is it _____
to risk everything to follow Jesus?**

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

*Peter said to Jesus, "We have left everything to follow you!"
Mark 10:28 (NIV)*

So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him. Luke 5:11 (NIV)

II. The Great Promise

*"I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "No one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—and with them persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life.
Mark 10:29-30 (NIV)*

III. The Great Prerequisites

A. You cannot claim the promise unless you have _____!

"We have left everything to follow you!" Mark 10:28 (NIV)

*"No one who has left [these things] will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age . . ."
Mark 10:29 (NIV)*

B. You cannot claim this promise unless you are committed to the work of _____!

"No one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much . . . Mark 10:29 (NIV)

IV. The Great Paradox

*But many who are first will be last, and the last first.
Mark 10:31 (NIV)*

Anyone who sacrifices home, family, fields—whatever—because of me will get it all back a hundred times over, not to mention the considerable bonus of eternal life. This is the Great Reversal: many of first ending up last, and the last first. Matthew 19:29-30 (MES)