



Where Your Treasure Is

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INTRODUCTION

- Maybe the better question is how much would I need to be content?
- Contentment is an interesting thing. It's more about attitude and perspective than it is some kind of number or a gathering of possessions.
- Really what is a true vision of wealth? What does it mean to truly be wealthy?

1 Where Your Treasure Is, There Your Heart Will Be

Matthew 6:19–24; Matthew 6:1

- Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth where moth and rust destroy, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
- It's not the things themselves. It's not the giving. It's not the praying. It's not the fasting. It's what we think about them. It's how we use them.
- They're incompatible. They don't work. You can't have both and you can't serve both. You're going to serve one or you're going to serve the other.
- It's not really about how much money you have. It's about how you view the money and the possessions that you have.

2 Godliness With Contentment Is Great Gain

1 Timothy 6:3–10; 2 Timothy 3:5; Matthew 6:33

- But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world and We cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.
- For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.
- Godliness, it's not the means of gain. Godliness is the gain.
- If we're seeking first God's kingdom, it's going to reshape the way we view gain.

3 Reconsider What Is Enough

- When this reshapes and reorients our idea of what is gain, it also helps us reconsider what is enough.
- They're only a tool for a greater purpose. What is truly valuable? What is truly gained? It is the people around us. It is the God we serve.
- We're not staying here. This is not the end.
- As responsible people, as good stewards, we should think and we should plan. But at the end of the day, we also need to understand where our hope actually lies.

4 True Wealth Changes What I Desire and Love

1 Timothy 6:10–16; Matthew 6:24

- The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Don't love money.
- It can be very easy to begin putting my security and my trust in something that is very temporary.
- But as for you, oh man of God, flee these things. Instead, pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of faith.
- Prepare for the eternal retirement. Everything that's happening here is going to be done away with and is not going to matter.
- Godly people find security in God not in their wealth.

5 Seeking First Changes How We Invest Our Lives

1 Timothy 6:17–19; Matthew 6:22

- There's not a problem with having wealth. The problem is in trusting wealth.
- As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches.
- They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future.
- So that they may take hold of that which is truly life.
- God blesses us so that we can bless.

THE CHALLENGE

You can be rich in good works by giving yourself first to Jesus Christ, dying with him, being buried in baptism, coming up in newness of life, and beginning this walk in a life which is truly life.

MY NOTES
