

MAINTAINING UNSWERVING LOYALTY TO THE VALUES OF THE KINGDOM
(Matthew 6:19-24)

- I. STRIVE for a Single TREASURE (Matt. 6:19-21)
 - A. Beware adopting common MISAPPLICATIONS
 1. “POVERTY is the path to SPIRITUALITY”
 2. “We should not INVEST or SAVE for the future”
 3. “WEALTH is intrinsically EVIL”
 - B. Don’t treasure MATERIAL WEALTH (6:19)
 1. To “lay up...treasure” implies HOARDING
 2. We’re forbidden to do so for SELF INTEREST
 3. We’re warned that its value is TEMPORARY and MEAGER
 - C. Instead treasure HEAVENLY WEALTH (6:20; cf. 6:4b, 6b, 18b)
 1. It’s the REWARD given by GOD for GENUINE righteousness
 2. Its STORAGE place is SECURE
 3. Its value is VAST and ETERNAL
 - D. The KIND of wealth you treasure REVEALS the ORIENTATION of your HEART (6:21)

II. FOCUS on a Single VISION (Matt. 6:22-23)

A. A “clear” eye ADMITS LIGHT (6:22)

1. It allows CLARITY of VISION
2. It promotes SINGLENESS of FOCUS
3. It reveals the GLORY of CHRIST (cf. Matt. 17:5)

B. A “bad” eye ENCLOSES DARKNESS (6:23)

1. It makes one MORALLY and SPIRITUALLY blind
2. It results in SELF-DECEPTION
3. It promotes SELF-INDULGENCE

III. SLAVE for a Single MASTER (Matt. 6:24)

A. As a SLAVE, you are OWNED by your master

B. You cannot SPLIT your LOYALTY

1. To SLAVE for WEALTH, you must turn you back on GOD
2. To SLAVE for GOD’S GLORY, you must turn your back on EARTHLY TREASURE
3. To try to do both is not a COMPROMISE; it is SURRENDER to IDOLATRY