

"Kingdom Approach to Money and Possessions" – Matthew 6:19-25a

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1. (vs. 19) How do we store up treasure and why?
2. (vs. 19) What is Jesus' assessment of such behavior?

Read Matthew 19:16-22; 1 Timothy 6:17-19

3. (vs. 20) What does it mean to store up treasure in heaven?
4. (vs. 21) This statement is both a diagnosis and a transformative truth. As a diagnosis, if we want to discover what really drives us in life we are invited to follow our treasure, follow our money. If you step back from your financial picture, what does it tell you about what truly drives you? What you're truly pursuing?

As a transformative truth it tells us that where you put your treasure your heart follows. What impact would it have on our hearts to invest in the business of heaven?

5. (vs. 22-23) This is a Hebrew idiom. The good eye is a generous spirit, living to give away. The bad eye is the miserly spirit, living to store up for oneself. What impact does it have on us / our world when we live to store up for ourselves?

What impact does it have on us / our world, when we approach those around us with a generous spirit?

6. (vs. 24) Why is it do you think that we believe we can be both generous and store up for ourselves? What would Jesus say to that self assessment?
7. (vs. 25) How does giving away, investing in the business of heaven break money's hold on the heart with it's attending worry?