

# Buried Treasure

Sermon the Mount Series – Part 13

Scripture text – Matthew 6:19-24

## Introduction

- Having called upon his people to live \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus now teaches about some things that might \_\_\_\_\_ us in doing that.
  1. Our \_\_\_\_\_ (19-24)
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ (25-34)
- This section includes a \_\_\_\_\_ followed by \_\_\_\_\_ for it.

## The Command

- By “*treasures*,” Jesus means the things we truly \_\_\_\_\_ for; whatever we give our life & heart to.
- Our treasures are either \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
  1. Earthly treasures stop with this \_\_\_\_\_ & this \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Heavenly treasures continue into \_\_\_\_\_.
- Jesus obviously wants us to focus on the \_\_\_\_\_ treasures.
- 3 heavenly treasures:
  1. Our relationship with \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Our Christian \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Question: *Is this what I'm really going after?*

## The Reasons

1. Earthly treasures don't \_\_\_\_\_.
  - This is an appeal to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Earthly treasures also don't \_\_\_\_\_.

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2. Earthly treasures \_\_\_\_\_ us.
  - The “eye” is a metaphor for what we \_\_\_\_\_ on.

- What we treasure will \_\_\_\_\_ and blind us to the \_\_\_\_\_ of everything else.

3. Earthly treasures are \_\_\_\_\_ with heavenly ones.

- “Money” is a translation of *mamonas*, which is any earthly treasure that we treasure \_\_\_\_\_ than God.
- Jesus isn’t very nuanced: Either you treasure God \_\_\_\_\_ or you don’t treasure him at all.
- For many, a little religion is \_\_\_\_\_. On the contrary, Jesus says it amounts to \_\_\_\_\_.

### Discerning Earthly Treasures

- Consider what occupies your \_\_\_\_\_ when you have nothing pressing to think about.
- Look at how you \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Our money flows most \_\_\_\_\_ toward our heart’s greatest love.
- Look at your uncontrollable \_\_\_\_\_.

### Two Sides of the Coin

- The Christian life is essentially a life marked by growing \_\_\_\_\_ toward self.
- The other side of the coin is a steady \_\_\_\_\_ of earthly treasures with heavenly ones. Earthly treasures can’t be \_\_\_\_\_, only replaced.

### Discussion Questions

1. Are we more about *earthly* treasures, or *heavenly* ones?
2. What earthly treasure is most prominent in our family? What heavenly treasure is most neglected?