

# Jesus on Treasures

Matthew 6:19-24

*We have some choices to make regarding our treasures!*

1. Where we will invest (v19-21)
2. How we will live (v22-23)
3. Who we will serve (v24)

## FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:

1. If your house caught fire and your family and pets were safe, what three possessions would you try to save from the fire? Do you think it's harder to live when you have a lot or when you have a little? Why?
2. Read Mt 6:19-24. What's a treasure? What are some examples of laying up treasures in heaven? Why does Jesus talk about our eyes in v22-23, in the middle of a section on treasures? What does serving money (v24) look like, and how does it contrast with serving God? Is it wrong to have money, money in reserve, or money stored away for retirement?
3. Read Proverbs 3:9-10. Why does God ask for "firstfruits"? What does giving firstfruits demonstrate?
4. Read Luke 12:13-21. What is Jesus saying about wealth and the pursuit of wealth? Why is God's response to the rich man so harsh? What does it mean to be "rich toward God"?
5. Read Malachi 3:8-12. How do we "rob God"? How is tithing a matter of faith rather than law? Where should the tithe go? What is the "storehouse"? What will happen if we give the way we should?
6. Why is where a person spends his/her money such a good indicator of the condition of his/her heart?
7. Do any of these passages challenge you to change anything?