

## WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT: Storing Up Treasures in Heaven

In a world that constantly calls for accumulation—whether it's wealth, possessions, or status—it's easy to lose sight of what truly matters. This age-old struggle was present in Jesus's day, too. Right after preaching His famous sermon in Matthew 5, which includes the Beatitudes, Jesus spoke a command that targets what is most important. Let's make application to our lives today.

Read [Matthew 6:19-21](#).

*What does Jesus say happens to earthly treasures? How would you define “earthly treasures” in today's world?*

The term *earthly treasures* can mean material wealth and possessions. However, treasures can include much more than money. It can also refer to anything we value that motivates us to action. For some it is money. For others it is power. For still others it is fame or attention. There are many things in this world vying for control of our heart. What has become your treasure?

In verse 20 Jesus tells us to store up treasures in Heaven. *What “treasures” do you think He is referencing? What should we be doing?*

Read [1 Timothy 6:17-19](#).

*How does Timothy instruct us to store up treasures in Heaven?*

*What does He say will be the result in verse 19?*

We are to treasure the Lord Jesus most of all. When Jesus is our treasure, we will commit our resources—our money, our time, our talents—to His work in this world. When we live sacrificially for Jesus' sake or serve Him by serving the body of Christ, we store up treasure in Heaven. Even seemingly small acts of service do not go unnoticed by God ([Matthew 10:42](#)).

Read [Matthew 6:21](#) again.

*What does this verse communicate to you?*

It always seems to come back to the heart, doesn't it? May our hearts be captivated by the eternal, and may we live in such a way that our lives reflect the treasures we are storing up for ourselves in Heaven.

*Heavenly Father, thank You for reminding us that true treasures are found in You. Help us to invest in what matters most—loving You and loving others. Guide us to store up treasures in Heaven where they will never fade. We ask that You shift our hearts from the temporary things of this world to the eternal things of Your kingdom. May our lives reflect Your love, and may we find joy in the treasures that last forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.*