



**Sermon Title:** "Stewardship of Treasure"  
**Scripture:** Matthew 6:19-24  
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## Introduction:

Kingdom economics are a practical application of the Lord's Prayer, "your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" (*Matthew 6:10*).

### 1. The location of your treasure is a true **measure** of your spiritual health. (v. 19-21)

Scripture: *Jeremiah 17:9; Proverbs 4:23*

- The stewardship of treasure begins with vigilant care of your **heart**. (*James 1:14*)
- The deceitfulness of riches is a deadly **threat** to your heart. (*Matthew 13:22; 19:23*)

### 2. Focusing on earthly treasure **blurs** your eternal vision. (v. 22-23)

- Spiritual vision enables you to see and pursue **God's** purposes and plans.

Scripture: *Psalms 119:105; Romans 12:2; Luke 12:18-21*

### 3. What (or who) you **serve** commands your will. (v. 24)

"The person with the misplaced **HEART** (v. 21) and misdirected **MIND** (v. 22-23) also suffers from a misaligned **WILL** (v. 24)." *William Hendriksen*

Scripture: *1 John 2:15-17; Romans 8:13-14*

- *If you do not serve God alone, you do not serve God at all.*

## Conclusion:

The person who invests in God's Kingdom on earth will receive glorious **dividends** in heaven.

Scripture: *1 Timothy 6:17-19*

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## Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application:

- What is the connection between the Lord's Prayer and the Lord's teaching on treasures?
- Why are the treasures of the world especially deceptive to our hearts?
- What are some practical ways we can practice vigilant care over our hearts?
- How can earthly treasure blind us to God's purposes and plans?
- What is the relationship to our hearts, mind and will?
- What prevents a person from serving both God and money?