



YOUR TREASURE
& *Your Heart*

What are the **three** most
important **things** in your life?



What *three items* would you *rescue*
from your home in a fire?



What do you treasure?

JESUS ON TREASURE

*“Do not **store** up for yourselves **treasures** on **earth** where moth and rust **destroy** and where thieves break in and **steal**.”*

Matthew 6: 19MEV

JESUS ON TREASURE

*“But **store** up for yourselves **treasures** in **heaven**, where neither moth or rust destroy and where thieves do not break in nor steal, for **where** your **treasure** is, **there** will your **heart** be also.”*

Matthew 6: 21 MEV

*Where is your **treasure**?*



PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

“And he told them this parable:

*The ground of a certain rich man yielded an **abundant harvest**. He thought to himself,*

‘What shall I do?

I have no place to store my crops.’ “

Luke 12: 16-17 NIV

PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

*“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store **my** surplus grain.’*

*And I’ll say to **myself**, ‘You have **plenty** of grain laid up for **many** years. Take life easy; **eat, drink** and be **merry**.’ “*

Luke 12: 18-19 NIV

PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

*“But God said to him, ‘**You fool!** This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then **who** will get what **you** have prepared for **yourself?**’ This is how it will be for whoever **stores** up things for **themselves**, but is not **rich toward God.**”*

Luke 12: 20-21 NIV

*“The **wealth** of the rich
is their fortified city;
they **imagine** it
a **wall** too high to scale.”*

Proverbs 18: 11 NIV

*Being **rich** is not the same
as being **good** at it.*

PAUL ON “BEING RICH”

*“Command those who are **rich** in this **present world** not to be **arrogant** nor to put their **hope** in **wealth**, which is so uncertain, but to put their **hope** in **God**, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.”*

1 Timothy 6: 17 NIV

PAUL ON “BEING RICH”

*“Command them to **do good**,
to **be rich** in good deeds,
and to **be generous** and willing to share.*

1 Timothy 6: 18 NIV

PAUL ON “BEING RICH”

*“In this way
they will lay up **treasure** for themselves
as a firm foundation for the **coming age**,
so they may take hold
of the **life** that is **truly life**.”*

1 Timothy 6: 19 NIV

*Generosity is the antidote for
the dizzying effects of wealth.*

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THE 3-P GIVER:

1. Priority

1. Percentage

1. Progressive

PAUL ON “GREATER GAIN”

*“But **godliness with contentment**
is **great gain**.”*

*For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ... Those who want to **get rich** fall into **temptation** and a **trap** and into many foolish and harmful **desires** that plunge people into **ruin and destruction**.”*

1 Timothy 6: 6 & 9 NIV

PAUL ON “GREATER GAIN”

*“For the **love of money**
is a **root** of all kinds of **evil**.
Some people, **eager** for money,
have **wandered** from the faith
and **pierced** themselves with many griefs.”*

1 Timothy 6: 10 NIV

*If you were to pursue only
one goal
for everything you possess,
this should be it.
Honor God.*

SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM

*“Seek the Kingdom of God above all else,
and he will give you everything you need.*

*... Sell your possessions
and give to those in need.*

This will store up treasure for you in heaven.”

Luke 12: 31 & 33a NIV

SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM

“And the purses of heaven never get old or develop holes. Your treasure will be safe; no thief can steal it and no moth can destroy it. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.”

Luke 12: 33b-34 NIV

*Where is your **treasure**?*

