

# “Storing Up Treasures in Heaven”

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## Matt 6:19-21

***Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth,*** where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal;





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***But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,*** where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your ***treasure*** is, there your ***heart*** will be also.





## Job 1:21

And Job said: “**Naked** I came from my mother’s womb, and **naked** shall I return there. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; Blessed be the name of the LORD.”





# 1 Timothy 6:7

For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.





## Luke 19:10

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.





## Zechariah 7:4-6

GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies gave me this Message for them, for all the people and for the priests: “When you held days of fasting every fifth and seventh month all these seventy years, were you doing it for me?





## Zechariah 7:4-6

And when you held feasts, was that for me? Hardly. You're interested in religion, ***I'm interested in people.***







## Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.





## Luke 19:1-10

He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.





## Luke 19:1-10

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.





## Luke 19:1-10

All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.'





## Luke 19:1-10

But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.'





## Luke 19:1-10

Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.'





# 1 Timothy 6:6-9

Now, godliness with **contentment** is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.





# 1 Timothy 6:6-9

And having food and clothing,  
with these **we shall be content**.  
But those who desire to be rich  
fall into temptation and a snare,  
and into many foolish and  
harmful lusts which drown men  
in destruction and perdition.







# 1 Timothy 6:10

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have **strayed from the faith** in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.





## John 12:3

Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.





## John 12:4-5

But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, who would betray Him, said, "Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?"





## John 12:6

**Judas** did not really care about the poor. He asked this because he carried the moneybag and ***sometimes would steal from it.***





## Luke 22:3-6

Then Satan entered the heart of Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve apostles. Judas went to talk with the chief priests and the officers of the temple police about how he could help them arrest Jesus.





## Luke 22:3-6

They were very pleased and offered to pay Judas some **money. He agreed** and started looking for a good chance to betray Jesus...





## Acts 5:1-3

Ananias and his wife Sapphira also sold a piece of property. But they agreed to cheat and keep some of the money for themselves.





## Acts 5:1-3

So, when Ananias took the rest of the money to the apostles, Peter said, “Why has Satan made you keep back some of the money from the sale of the property? Why have you lied to the Holy Spirit?”







## Joshua 6:18-19

And you, by all means abstain from the accursed things, lest you become accursed when you take of the accursed things, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.





## Joshua 6:18-19

But all the silver and gold, and vessels of bronze and iron, ***are consecrated to the Lord; they shall come into the treasury of the Lord.***"





## Joshua 7:20-21

Achan answered Joshua and said, “Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and this is what I have done: When I saw among the spoils a beautiful Babylonian garment, two hundred shekels of silver,





## Joshua 7:20-21

And a wedge of gold weighing fifty shekels, ***I coveted them and took them.*** And there they are, hidden in the earth in the midst of my tent, with the silver under it.”





## Matt 19:16-19

Now behold, one came and said to Him, “Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?”





## Matt 19:16-19

So He said to him: “if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.”

The young man said to Him, “All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?”





## Matt 19:16-19

Jesus said to him, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have ***treasure in heaven***; and come, ***follow Me.***”





## Matt 19:16-19

But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.







## Matt 9:9

As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, ***“Follow Me.”*** So he arose and followed Him.





## 1 Peter 1:18,19

Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your vain way of life you received by tradition from your fathers,





## 1 Peter 1:18,19

but with the *precious blood of Christ*, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.



## ***Counsels on Stewardship, p. 154***



***Go, make the possessors of lands and money drunk with the cares of this life. Present the world before them in its most attractive light, **that they may lay up their treasure here, and fix their affections upon earthly things.*****

# ***Counsels on Stewardship, p. 154***



We must do our utmost to prevent those who labor in God's cause from obtaining means to use against us.

***Keep the money in our own ranks.***

The more means they obtain, the more they will injure our kingdom by taking from us our subjects.

## ***Counsels on Stewardship, p. 154***



***Make them care more for money*** than for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom and the spread of the truths we hate, and we need not fear their influence; for we know that every selfish, ***covetous person will fall under our power, and will finally be separated from God's people.***

# Randy Alcorn

“Abundance isn’t God’s provision for me to live in luxury. It’s His provision for me to help others live. God entrusts me with his money not to build my kingdom on earth, ***but to build his kingdom in heaven.***”





## Revelation 15:2

And I saw *something* like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast,







## Revelation 15:2

over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.





# Revelation 15:3

They sing the song of Moses,  
the servant of God, and the  
song of the Lamb, saying:





## Revelation 15:3

“Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!”





# Revelation 15:4

Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?

For *You* alone *are* holy.

**For all nations shall come and worship before You...**





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