

Serve God, Not Money

Mathew 6:19-24 – Adam Bowers

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) What are the most helpful and least helpful purchases you've ever made?
- 2) Does it surprise you that God cares so much about how we use money? Why do you think our money management is important to Him?
- 3) Even though we often think we will use our treasure for whatever we care about, Jesus said that our heart will follow where we put our treasure. How have you seen this principle at work in your life? Have you ever put your treasure somewhere and noticed that your heart followed?
- 4) Hebrews 13:5
Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you."

1 John 2:15-16

Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world.

Why does the Bible see loving God and loving money as mutually exclusive? Why can't we love both?

- 5) Adam said that you can use your treasure to guide your heart. Have you ever done this? Have you purchased, invested, or given in a way that has caused you to care more about that area?
- 6) "Personal sacrifice for eternal purpose equals heavenly reward."
What are some of the best ways to personally sacrifice for eternal purposes?
- 7) Would you say that the way you use money currently reflects the "spend, save, give" priorities or the "give, save, spend" priorities? Is there anything you want to change?
- 8) What was your biggest takeaway from this week's message and how do you plan to respond to it?