JESUS CHANGES EVERYTHING

For Where Your Treasure Is ... *Matthew* 6:19-24

"People are more miserable than at any other point on record"

(New York Post – Sept. 12, 2018)

"Americans are the unhappiest they've been in almost 50 years" (Associated Press - June 17, 2020)

"New Research Suggests We're Living in Historically Unhappy Times"

(Smithsonian Magazine – June 19, 2020)

3 Questions 1.How will you invest your resources? (vv. 19-20) 2.What will be the focus of your life? (vv. 21-23) 3.Who/What will be your master? (vs. 24)

QUESTION #1 How will you invest your resources?

MATTHEW 6:21

"Where your treasure is there will your heart be

also."

There is a direct line that runs from your heart to your wallet.

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"Where your treasure is ..."

- The Bible does not condemn owning possessions.
- The Bible does not forbid saving.
- •We are encouraged to enjoy the good things God has given to us (1 Tim. 6:17-19).

1 TIMOTHY 6:17-19

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to trust in the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

Quality - is it worth it?

Durability - will it last?

QUESTION #1 How will you invest your resources?

Principle #1: Earthly investments always fail on the quality and durability scale.

Earthly treasures are like rides at the amusement park: the price is high and the ride is short.

QUESTION #2 What will be the focus of your life?

Principle #2: Our hearts are drawn to that in which we invest most heavily. Principle #3: Materialism is a disease that affects the whole body.

QUESTION #3 Who/What will be your Master?

Principle #4: You must choose whether you will serve God or money.

"We put one foot on God's side and one on the side of human reasoning; then God widens the space until we either drop down in between or jump on to one side or the other."

Oswald Chambers

1. What occupies your thoughts when you have nothing else to do? What is it that you fret most about? 2. Apart from our loved ones, what or 3. whom do we most dread losing? 4. What are the things that we measure others by? What is it that we know we cannot be 5. happy about? Questions to evaluate where our treasure is

- R. Kent Hughes