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LIVING HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

# NEWSLETTER



🕊 Hello Church Family,

It's good to be with you again. Over the past few messages, we've explored what it means to be salt and light, to live differently—but not distantly, and now, we're reflecting on what it means to live with an eternal perspective.

As we dive into Matthew 6:19–34, let's be reminded to seek what lasts. The things of this world fade—but the kingdom of God endures forever.

Let's live with heaven in view.

## Upcoming June Birthdays

- Mark J. (17th)
- Amir R. (18th)



## Sermon: Living with an Eternal Perspective

After learning to be salt and light, and to live differently but not distantly, we now turn to a powerful call from Jesus: to live with an eternal perspective.

In Matthew 6:19–34, Jesus instructs us not to store up treasures on earth, where they are vulnerable to decay and theft, but to store up treasures in heaven—where they endure forever. This teaching challenges us to reflect on where our focus lies.

Far too often, we become consumed by worldly concerns—our status, our possessions, our future—forgetting that these things are temporary. When earthly treasures become our ultimate goal, they risk becoming idols, drawing our hearts away from God.

Jesus reminds us that our Heavenly Father knows what we need. Instead of being ruled by anxiety or driven by material pursuits, we are called to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. In doing so, we learn to trust in His provision and live with a peace that surpasses understanding.

Living with eternity in mind means we live intentionally, storing up lasting treasure by aligning our lives with God's will. It is a daily choice to fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen—what is eternal.



## Personal Reflection

### Living with an Eternal Perspective

This week challenged me to step back and ask: What am I really living for?

It's so easy to get caught up in the moment—chasing goals, stressing about money, comparing myself to others. But Jesus reminds us in Matthew 6:19–34 that all of it fades. The things I obsess over now won't last—but the kingdom of God will.

When I look at how I spend my time, what I worry about, or what I work hardest for, it makes me wonder if I'm more focused on building something temporary rather than something eternal. Jesus doesn't say that the things of this world are evil—but when they take the place of God in my life, when they consume me with anxiety or pride, they become idols that steal my peace, distract me from my true purpose, and keep me from fully trusting God's plan.

This passage reminded me that God knows what I need. He's not asking me to carry it all—He's asking me to trust Him. To seek His kingdom first.

That means placing my faith above my fear, choosing dependence over control, and keeping my eyes on eternity when everything around me is screaming for attention.

I want to live for more than just success, comfort, or approval. I want to live for what actually matters. And that starts with remembering who I belong to, and where I'm going.

The treasures of this world come and go. But the love of God, the lives we touch, the obedience we walk in—that's what lasts forever.

Let this guide you into your week.



## Sydel's Daily Devotion

### Resting in God's Presence

**Matthew 11:28 | Psalm 23:1-2 | Psalm 46:10 | Genesis 2:2 | Exodus 14:14 | 1 John 5:3**

In a world that never seems to slow down, God invites us into something radical: rest. Not just physical rest, but soul-level rest that comes from trusting Him completely.

Jesus says in **Matthew 11:28**, “**Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.**” This is a rest that doesn't depend on our circumstances, but on His presence. **Psalm 23** paints the picture beautifully—green pastures, still waters, and a Shepherd who leads us gently.

Even from the beginning, in **Genesis 2:2**, God Himself modeled rest. Not because He needed it—but because we do. He wired it into creation. **Exodus 14:14** reminds us that sometimes, the most faithful thing we can do is be still and let the Lord fight for us.

Following God doesn't mean life will be easy, but **1 John 5:3** says His commands are not burdensome. There's peace in obedience. There's rest in surrender.

Let us pray:

Lord, thank You for being my rest when I'm weary and my peace when life feels loud. Teach me to slow down and trust that You are in control. Help me to let go of striving and learn to walk in Your rhythms of grace. May I rest not just from work, but in You.  
Amen.

**This Week's Giving To Date:**  
**06/08-06/15**

**Living Hope Ministries : \$1,130.00**  
**Deacons Funds: \$250.00**

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#### **Our Programs:**

**Weekly:**  
**Friday - Anchored Young Adults**

**Bi-weekly:**  
**Tuesday - Men's Meeting**  
**Wednesday - Women's Coffee Chat**