

Strong Tower Bible Study

Agenda

Lesson # 9

Time 6:00pm -7:30pm

Topic: Our Treasure

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Scripture text: Matthew 6:19-24

Treasures in Heaven

19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

22 “The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. 23 But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

24 “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

Things to know:

-The way we regard our treasure reveals who we are and what we truly value.

-The Lord owns all that we have. We are only the managers

-When we give to others or kingdom work, we are immediately transferring our treasure from earth to heaven.

-Jesus cares about our stewardship.

-Jesus was straight forward on how to handle earthly treasures.

-The Lord’s blessings are to be used to help reach any goals that He gives us.

-We should trust the Lord with every ounce of our time, talent, and treasure. He will use them to accomplish His plans for your life.

Discussion Questions:

1. Do you believe it’s a “sin” to have good things, nice things on earth?
2. Do you think Jesus does not want His children to save for the future?
3. How do you “feel” about Vs 19?
4. Where is Jesus telling His children to place their focus? Vs 20
5. What is Jesus’ warning? Vs 21

6. What can we see with our eyes? And why is it important? Vs 22

7. Can the rich be saved? Vs 24

Faith in Action:

-Pay your tithes

-Make a donation to support a church of your choice (Allow the Holy Spirit to lead you)

-Invest one hour with someone in need (Listen and Pray with them)

-Give a coat, blanket, boots or socks to someone in need.

Challenge of the Week:

Refrain from buying unnecessarily this week. (Food, clothes, shoes, gadgets) etc. This will help us “see” the abundance of what we already have. When you catch yourself about to make an unnecessary purchase (Pause) ask for forgiveness, receive it and thank God for what you currently have.

Scripture Application:

1 Peter 4:10- What spiritual gifts do you have that can be shared with others in the kingdom.

Ownership (Psalm 24:1): God is the creator and owner of all, meaning we are trustees of our time, talents, and treasure rather than owners.

Responsibility (1 Corinthians 4:2): We are called to manage God’s resources according to His will, which involves caring for creation, using skills for His glory, and providing for others.

Accountability (Romans 14:12): We will give an account to God for how we have used the resources, opportunities, and abilities entrusted to us.

Reward (Colossians 3:23-24) Faithful stewards can expect to be rewarded, with the ultimate reward being in heaven.

Closing Prayer: