

Laying Up Treasures In Heaven

Introduction:

- A. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth..." (Matt 6:19).
- B. Only when we look at our lives with an eternal perspective will we be able to make eternally wise decisions that may not be easy today, but will pay off in the long tomorrow.

I. *Matthew 6:19-24*: Three Groups of Two

- A. Two _____ — the present earth and the future heaven (*1 Pet 1:3-5*).

- B. Two _____ — the healthy eye and the bad eye (*Eph 5:7-10*).

- C. Two _____ — God and money (*Exo 34:14; Matt 6:33*).

II. What Does It Mean To Store Up Treasures In Heaven?

- A. We store up treasures on earth by accumulating and gripping them _____.

- B. We store up treasures in heaven by holding _____, sharing _____, and giving _____ earthly treasures for God's kingdom purposes.

- C. Invest in what has _____ value (*Psa 49:16-17*).

- D. You can't take your treasures with you, but you *can* send them on ahead (*1 Tim 6:17-19*).

- E. How do I begin? By becoming a "fellow _____ with Christ" (*Rom 8:12-17; Eph 1:3-10*).