

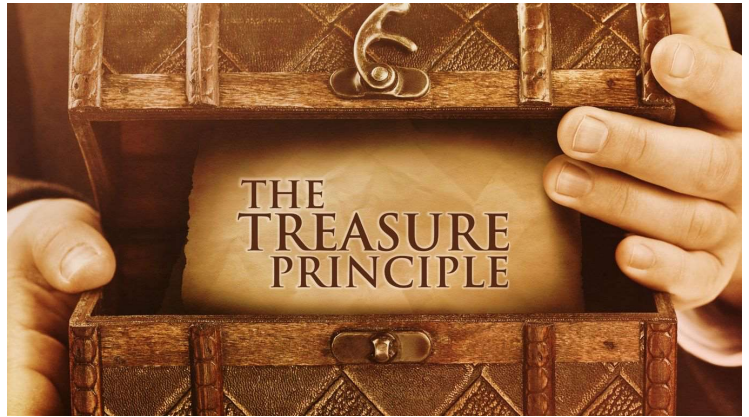
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## The Treasure Principle: Kingdom Principles and Priorities

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**Matthew 6:19-24**

*He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep  
to gain what he cannot lose. – Jim Elliot*



### Big Idea – Your Kingdom Principles Must Precede Your Kingdom Priorities

**Matthew 6:19-24** (ESV) – <sup>19</sup>“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup>but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>22</sup>“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, <sup>23</sup>but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

<sup>24</sup>“No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

### Three Principles that Must Become Your Priority

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#### Principle #1 – Adopt the Right Attitude: Treasure Up the Right Treasure Today

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#### Principle #2 – Belief Matters: The Vigor of Your Vision is Directly Connected to the Fidelity of Your Faith

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#### Principle #3 – Choose Wisely: Kingdom Principles Produce Kingdom Priorities

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### Memory Verse

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**Matthew 6:21** (ESV) – For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

## Going Deeper

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You are called to consistently apply the divine principles and truths found in the Word of God. Take the next step in your study by (1) Discussing and applying the sermon with your small group, (2) Participating in a Sunday School class, or (3) Study through the “Going Deeper” study guide found at the Welcome Center.