
Date: January 23, 2022 **Series:** Jesus' Most Famous Sermon

Message: Lasting Treasure **Scripture:** Matthew 6:16-24

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1. How does treasure in heaven compare to treasure on earth? What does each look like, and how are they different? Why do we often prefer or pursue earthly treasures over heavenly treasures?
2. Why is it important to distinguish between “being seen by others when we’re practicing a spiritual discipline” and “practicing a spiritual discipline *in order to be seen by others*”?
3. Have you ever fasted from food or something else solely for spiritual benefit? Why or why not? Why do you think Jesus just assumed that all of his followers would fast at various times?
4. How can fasting help a person grow in their relationship with God?
5. What do the warnings that Jesus gives in vv. 16-18 indicate about our typical motivations when practicing any spiritual discipline like prayer or fasting?
6. What is the connection between a person’s heart and their treasure (v. 21)? How does what we treasure indicate who or what our real master is?
7. How does a person practically store up treasure in heaven? How can you practically lessen your desire for earthly treasure and increase your desire for heavenly treasure?
8. Why does Jesus say that there is only room for one person or one thing on the throne of your life? Why is it impossible to serve both God and this world?