

THEM THAT HONOR ME
Treasure Heavenly Things

I. **How to get your stuff taken care of**-Mt6:19-Lay not up (treasure, store up) for yourselves **treasures** (precious/valuable things are kept) upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: ²⁰ But **lay up** for yourselves **treasures** in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: ²¹ For where your **treasure** (Something very valued) is, there will your heart be also. ²² The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. ²³ But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! ²⁴ No man can **serve** (obey, submit, give self up to another's will) two masters: for either he will **hate** (love less) the one, and love the other; or else he will **hold to** (Care for, cleave, pay heed) the one, and **despise** (disesteem) the other. Ye cannot serve God and **mammon**. ²⁵ **Therefore** I say unto you, Take no thought for **your life**, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for **your** body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? ²⁶ Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? ²⁷ Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? ²⁸ And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: ²⁹ And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? ³¹ **Therefore** take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ³² (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. ³³ But seek ye **first** (importance, in honor) the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

A. What you go after and lay up deals what you value-Things valuable on the Earth, things valuable in Heaven-1Jn2:15-Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. ¹⁷ And **the world passes away**, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God **abideth forever**

1. The most important thing in life completing your mission-Many think, "my life, my life, my life," instead of "my mission, my mission."-Ac20:24-None of these things move me, neither **count I my life dear unto myself** so that I might **finish my course** with joy, and **the ministry**, which I have received of the Lord Jesus; **IC**-I don't care about my own life. The most important thing is that I complete my mission-**CS**-But I consider my life of no value to myself; my purpose is to finish my course and the ministry I received from the Lord Jesus
2. What you focus on, you value, you get full of, that's where your heart is-Co3:2-Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth
Interest yourself in
3. The topic in these verses isn't money or saving money-It's prioritizing heavenly over earthly-Pr6:6, Gn41:35-36

B. You can't serve, focus on, be after two-This means you have to choose and whoever you choose that's who you honor the most

1. Mammon is anything of this life valued more than God-AMP-Mammon [money, possessions, fame, status or whatever is valued more than the Lord] **RR**-An expression used by the Jewish community of NT times to express the idea of **worldliness** (NOTE: **ST**-Confidence, that is, figuratively, wealth, personified). **M. Henry**-A Syric word, that signifies gain; so that whatever in this world is, or is **accounted by us to be gain** is mammon. Whatever is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, is mammon. To some their belly is their mammon, and they serve that (Ph3:19); to others their ease, their sleep, their sports and pastimes, are their

mammon (Pr6:9); to others worldly riches (Js4:13); to others honors and preferments; the praise and applause of men was the Pharisees' mammon; in a word, **self** is the mammon which cannot be served in conjunction with God; for if it be served, it is in competition with him and in contradiction to him.)

- C. Seek first the KOG and don't let **YOUR LIFE** be the focus-33-CEV-More than anything else put God's work first and do what He wants; EX-Be concerned above all else with God's Kingdom and what God wants; NTE-Make your **top priority** God's kingdom
- D. Put God's things first and all your things will be taken care of-God's things first is the foundation to being taken care of-MSG-You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met; 1Sm2:30
 - 1. He'll even give you the desires of your heart-Ps37:4-Delight also yourself in the Lord and he shall give you the desires of thine heart; Is58:13-Shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: ¹⁴ Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord..