

TREASURE QUEST

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY OF THE HEART

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Where is your heart? On the surface that seems like a rather silly question. But, it is honestly a very important question. It is one that Jesus personally addressed in Matthew 6. He was concerned that we are not as in touch with what has our heart's attention as we need to be.

Imagine that he is speaking directly to you (which, by the way, he is) would you say that you have a heart focused on earthly things or heavenly matters? It really is not all that difficult to figure out where our priorities lie. Take a few moments to review your calendar and bank statement for the past several months. Consider what's in your home or garage? Maybe it's jewelry, clothes, recreational toys or a hobby that have your investment. Perhaps your biggest concern is what people think of you or what you have achieved. The sad truth is none of these things really matter. Jesus says if it is of this world, it will not last, and, it is not ever really secure.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

-Matthew 6:19-21



Verse 21 is the key that unlocks our understanding. It is like instructions on a treasure map that say "x" marks the spot. Where is your heart? It is found in the things you treasure or hold very dear. It is where and how you invest yourself more than what you invest in yourself.

Steps for Your Journey

- Do a **heart check** this week to determine where your focus is directed. Where do the signs in your life point?
- Make a list of those things you would like to change. How can you live a life more devoted to Christ?
- Pray a prayer of commitment, and ask God to help you make these changes.