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**5-Day Devotional
based on Sunday's message:**



*Treasure and Trust in God
Matthew 6:19-34*

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“Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be. “Your eye is like a lamp that provides light for your body. When your eye is healthy, your whole body is filled with light. But when your eye is unhealthy, your whole body is filled with darkness. And if the light you think you have is actually darkness, how deep that darkness is! “No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money. “That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn’t life more than food, and your body more than clothing? Look at the birds. They don’t plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren’t you far more valuable to him than they are? Can all your worries add a single moment to your life? “And why worry about your clothing? Look at the lilies of the field and how they grow. They don’t work or make their clothing, yet Solomon in all his glory was not dressed as beautifully as they are. And if God cares so wonderfully for wildflowers that are here today and thrown into the fire tomorrow, he will certainly care for you. Why do you have so little faith? “So don’t worry about these things, saying, ‘What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear?’ These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers, but your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need. “So don’t worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

Day 1: What Are You Really Trusting?

Devotional

We all trust something to hold our lives together. For some, it's a healthy bank account. For others, it's a stable job, a loving relationship, or having everything planned out perfectly. However, the uncomfortable truth is that none of these things are permanent. Your savings can disappear, relationships can change, and even the best-laid plans can crumble overnight. Jesus knew this reality when He taught about treasures on earth versus treasures in heaven. He wasn't condemning financial responsibility or planning ahead. Instead, He was pointing out that when we place our ultimate security in temporary things, we set ourselves up for disappointment and anxiety. Take a moment to honestly examine your heart. When pressure hits, what do you reach for first? When you can't sleep at night, what thoughts consume your mind? These moments reveal where your trust actually lies, not where you think it should be. The beautiful invitation Jesus offers is to place our trust in someone, who will never fail, never disappoint, and never leave us empty-handed. God's love for you is permanent. His care for you is constant. His provision for you is certain.

Bible Verse

'Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.' - Matthew 6:19-21

Reflection Question

When you face uncertainty or stress, what is the first thing you turn to for security and comfort?

Quote

What am I actually trusting to hold my life together?

Prayer

God, help me recognize where I've been placing my trust in temporary things. Give me the courage to shift my ultimate security to You alone. Amen.

Day 2: The Impossibility of Two Masters

Devotional

Have you ever tried to please two different bosses with conflicting demands? It's exhausting and ultimately impossible. Jesus tells us the same principle applies to our spiritual lives. We cannot serve both God and worldly security. This doesn't mean we can't work hard, save money, or make plans. It means we can't make these things our ultimate master while also claiming God as Lord. When financial stress hits, do you immediately check your bank account, or do you pray first? In moments of crisis, does your heart automatically turn to your own resources, or to God? Divided loyalty creates constant internal tension. You'll find yourself pulled in different directions, never fully at peace because you're trying to satisfy competing masters. One demands control, the other asks for surrender. One promises security through accumulation, the other offers peace through trust. The freedom comes when we settle this question once and for all. When God becomes our primary master, everything else falls into its proper place as a tool rather than a treasure. Work becomes service, not survival. Money becomes a resource, not a refuge. Relationships become gifts, not guarantees.

Bible Verse

'No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money.' - Matthew 6:24

Reflection Question

In what areas of your life are you trying to serve two masters? How is this creating tension in your heart?

Quote

Jesus says you cannot serve both God and money, He's using money as this illustration because money represents control. It represents predictability. It represents something that's measurable and tangible in our lives. We may say that we trust God, but when pressure is applied, it reveals where we go first.

Prayer

Lord, I choose You as my one true Master. Help me align every area of my life under Your loving authority. Amen.

Day 3: Where Worry Reveals Unsettled Trust

Devotional

Worry is like a spiritual GPS. It shows us exactly where our trust hasn't fully settled in God. When anxiety creeps in about finances, relationships, health, or the future, it's revealing areas where we're still trying to carry burdens that belong to God. Notice where your worry shows up first. Is it when you think about your job security? Your children's future? Your health? These aren't random concerns, but they're pointing to places where your heart is still divided. Where you haven't fully released control to your heavenly Father. However, the encouraging truth is that God doesn't condemn you for these worries. Instead, He invites you to bring them to Him. Every anxious thought is an opportunity to practice trust. Every sleepless night is a chance to remember that God never sleeps and is always watching over you. When trust begins to settle in God alone, something beautiful happens. The constant weight of trying to control everything starts to lift. Your mind begins to quiet. Your heart starts to steady. This doesn't happen overnight, but as you consistently choose to trust God with your specific concerns, peace begins to grow in places where worry once lived.

Bible Verse

'That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn't life more than food, and your body more than clothing?' - Matthew 6:25

Reflection Question

What specific worry in your life right now is revealing an area where your trust in God needs to grow deeper?

Quote

Where your worry shows up first often reveals where your trust is still unsettled.

Prayer

Father, I bring my worries to You and choose to trust Your perfect care. Help my heart settle in Your faithfulness. Amen.

Day 4: You Are Seen and Known

Devotional

In our achievement-driven world, it's easy to feel invisible or forgotten. However, Jesus reminds us of a profound truth through the simplest examples that if God cares for the birds and clothes the flowers, how much more does He care for you? You are not just another face in the crowd to God. You are seen by your Creator, known by your Sustainer, and cared for by your Redeemer. Every need you have, every concern that keeps you awake at night, every dream in your heart, God knows them all intimately. This isn't just theological theory, but a personal reality. The God who numbers the hairs on your head and knows every sparrow that falls is actively involved in the details of your life. He sees your financial pressures, your relationship struggles, your health concerns, and your future uncertainties. When this truth really sinks in, it changes everything. You stop feeling like you have to figure everything out on your own. You stop carrying the weight of outcomes that were never yours to control. Instead, you can rest in the confidence that the One who holds the universe together is personally invested in your well-being. This doesn't mean life becomes problem-free, but it does mean you're never facing those problems alone.

Bible Verse

'Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are?' - Matthew 6:26

Reflection Question

How does knowing that God sees and cares for you personally change the way you approach your current challenges?

Quote

You are seen by your Creator. You are known by your Sustainer. You are cared for by your Redeemer.

Prayer

Thank You, God, for seeing me and knowing me completely. Help me rest in Your personal care for every detail of my life. Amen.

Day 5: When God Comes First

Devotional

There's something almost magical that happens when God truly becomes first in our lives. Decisions that once felt overwhelming begin to clarify. Priorities that were jumbled start to organize themselves. Peace that seemed elusive begins to grow in our hearts and minds. When God's kingdom takes the top spot, everything else finds its proper place. Work becomes meaningful service rather than desperate survival. Relationships become healthier because they're no longer carrying the weight of being your ultimate source of security. Money becomes a tool for kingdom purposes rather than a measure of your worth. This isn't about perfection, but about priority. It's about starting each day by acknowledging that God is in control and asking how you can align your life with His purposes. It's about making decisions through the filter of "What honors God?" rather than "What protects me?" The beautiful promise Jesus gives us is that when we seek His kingdom first, everything we truly need will be provided. This doesn't mean we become passive or irresponsible. It means we work, plan, and live with the confidence that our ultimate security rests in God's faithful hands. The life Jesus describes isn't built by controlling everything - it's formed as trust is placed back where it belongs.

Bible Verse

'Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.' - Matthew 6:33

Reflection Question

What would change in your daily decisions and priorities if you truly put God's kingdom first in every area of your life?

Quote

When God is first, decisions begin to shift. Priorities begin to settle into place. Peace begins to grow in our hearts and our minds.

Prayer

God, I want Your kingdom to be first in my life. Help me align my priorities, decisions, and dreams with Your purposes. Amen,