

Stewardship-

Managing all that God has entrusted to us for His purposes.

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Matthew 6:24 ESV

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First Question-

Are you gathering up durable, eternal treasures, or are you gathering up treasures on earth that will deteriorate?

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What is the idol of materialism?

The belief that the accumulation of wealth & possessions, or acquiring the pleasures they bring is life's most important goal. Its seduction lies not in things themselves, but in the temporary power to purchase things and the apparent comfort or influence those things give us.

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Jesus tells us:

Remember that the treasures of this world are temporary- they will deteriorate.

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2nd Question-

Are you in better or worse condition, given the earthly treasures your eyes are focused on?

The treasures of this world blind us to the things that really matter.

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³⁶ Incline my heart to your testimonies,
and not to selfish gain!

³⁷ Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;
and give me life in your ways.

Psalm 119:36–37 ESV

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¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give
to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not
allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to
me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’

Matthew 20:14–15 ESV

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The Alternative?

“Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven.”

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³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his
righteousness, and all these things will be added to
you.

Matthew 6:33 ESV