



TREASURES IN HEAVEN

Matthew 6:19-21 [ESV]

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Scripture Study

Whatever has your heart, whatever you *love*, is what you will *live for*. In Matthew chapter 13 Jesus told a parable, he said, *“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.”* (Matthew 13:45&46) The merchant saw that the one pearl was of such great value and was so great a treasure, that he was willing to give everything he had for it. If we *love* the things of this world, then we will *live for* the things of this world, storing up treasures on earth – if we *love the Lord*, then we will *live for the Lord* and the things of His kingdom, storing up treasures in heaven. Our desire should be **to love the Lord** with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30), because it is when we *love him* that **we will live for him**, storing up treasure that can never be taken away!

Review Questions

Who is it that we should be living for?

What should our desire be?

When we love the Lord, what will we also do?

Suggested Prayer

Lord, thank you for your word and all that we can learn from it about you and what you have done for us! Please give us grace to love you with all our hearts, and to live for you, storing up treasures in heaven. In Jesus name, amen.