Discussion Guide

MINE: wk2 Reassess and Invest November 5, 2023

Big Idea
Reassess and invest your life in the Kingdom of God.

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As you think about the word "treasure", what favorite treasure-themed movie or book comes to mind? (Remember "treasure" comes in various forms. This should expand your thinking of books or movies that may fit.)

Discussion Questions

- 1. Since this week's sermon is part 2 of a 3-week series of sermons, go back and read our main scripture from last week (Matthew 25:14-30 remembering that "it" in vs 14 is "the Kingdom of Heaven"). What was the Big Idea from last week's sermon (part 1 of the series)?
- 2. Read Matthew 6:19-21. What are some things that you treasured in the past (meaning you spent a significant amount of time, energy, and/or money on) that is either rubble today or that you have come to find out was meaningless? Discuss what "treasure in in heaven" is; looks like? Discuss how we go about storing up this "treasure in heaven".
- 3. Read Matthew 19:16-22. Jesus emphasized the issue of material wealth with this individual because, for him, this was what he treasured over God & investing his life in the Kingdom of God. This was revealed to Jesus as He looked at the man & his heart. What did Jesus <u>used</u> to see in you that was a treasure in your heart over Him and His Kingdom? What does Jesus, perhaps, still see in you today that is a treasure in your heart over Him & His Kingdom? Praise God for the growth from what He used to see and confess and pray to God for continued growth regarding what He still sees.
- 4. Read Matthew 6:22-23. What covetous temptations threaten to block your sight from seeing the God-life (a.k.a. the bigger picture purposes and plans He has for you)? What things can one do to combat this blockage from happening? Fill in the blank: "The goal is to be c___tent, not c___tous.". What are things with which you struggle to be content? Any final thoughts as to how one makes progress toward the goal stated above?
- 5. Read Matthew 6:24. The sermon stated that serving a master demands total & undivided commitment...it is devoting oneself wholly to said master. Why does serving a master demand such? What indications are there to show who or what you serve (think verbal & non-verbal)?

Concluding Question

Read Matthew 26:14-16 & 27:1-5. What can we learn from Judas' situation to encourage us going forward regarding our own reassessment & investment of our lives into things of the Kingdom of God?

Application

- 1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
- 2. What is something God wants you to do now?
- 3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?

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This past Sunday we were given a Heart Check update inclusive of hearing testimony from someone who recently engaged in global outreach through Heart Check. Please pray for our various Heart Check partners and that we as a church will continue to be moved to respond to such "treasure of heaven" initiatives through giving & engagement.