

Day 1 – Treasures That Last

Scripture

Matthew 6:19–21 – “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... for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Reflection

Jesus calls us to evaluate what we value most. Earthly possessions decay, rust, or get taken away. Eternal treasures: acts of faith, obedience, love, and leading others to Christ, are never lost. Our heart always follows our treasure, so what we pursue reveals what we love.

Illustration

Imagine someone taking a large amount of money and burying it in the backyard and not telling anyone. That treasure will only decay and can't be used for anything worthwhile. Compare that to someone who wisely invests the money so that the increase can be used for the good of generations to come. We are to focus on eternal treasures: good deeds, love, obedience, and evangelism. By these, we can continue to impact the world around us long after we are gone.

Application

- Identify one area where you are storing up “earthly treasure.”
- Pray about one way you can invest more intentionally in eternal treasure this week.