

Week 3, Day 3:

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, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:19-21

We all have things in this life that we treasure. There is a direct correlation between where and how we spend our money and what we treasure. Jesus tells us in this passage that wherever our treasure is, there our hearts will be also. It is a little difficult to think that when we open our wallets we are revealing the condition of our heart.

Jesus tells us to store up our treasures in heaven. In order to store our treasures in heaven we have to be willing to spend our money on things that matter. Every time that we spend money we are saying that what we are purchasing has some value to us. Where is your heart and your treasure? Is it in football on Saturdays in the fall, Starbucks in the morning or is it in Heaven. It is not wrong at all to go to football games or to drink expensive coffee unless your checkbook reveals that those things are more important to you than Jesus.

REFLECT:

- 1. What does your checkbook indicate about your priorities?
- 2. Does your checkbook reveal that Heaven and the things of God are truly important to you?

TAKE ACTION:

On what five items, other than your mortgage/rent and food, do you spend most of your money? Ask God if these are really indicators that your heart is in a bad place. If so, ask God to help you prioritize your spending.