

# Bible Talk Outline

## JESUS ON WEALTH | Luke Dahlenburg

**Bible reading:** Matthew 6:19–24

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The world is an attractive place, and that's no mistake—God made it that way. Enjoying creation is good, but how we relate to wealth reveals our hearts. Too often, we thank God for what we have but then focus on building our own kingdoms, giving God only our leftovers.

### Three Challenges from Jesus

#### 1. Two Treasures: Earth or Heaven?

- i. Earthly treasures decay, break, or get stolen.
- ii. Heavenly treasures are eternal—investing in God's kingdom.
- iii. What we treasure directs our hearts and priorities.

#### 2. Two Conditions: Light or Darkness?

- i. Our eyes shape our vision of life—healthy eyes focus on God's generosity. See 1 John 1:5
- ii. Unhealthy eyes (greed, jealousy) distort our priorities.
- iii. Fixing our gaze on God.

#### 3. Two Masters: God or Money?

- i. Money = Mammon. Not just cash. What we look to for security, identity, and joy.
- ii. Serving God means trusting Him, enjoying Him and investing in His eternal kingdom.

# Reflection Questions

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**(Rate yourself on a scale of 1-5: 1 = Less so, 5 = More so)**

I am grateful to God for what He has given me.

1          2          3          4          5

My spending of money, time, and energy reflects an investment in God's kingdom.

1          2          3          4          5

I value treasure in heaven and have a big vision of God.

1          2          3          4          5

I feel more secure in serving God than in wealth.

1          2          3          4          5

How do my answers reveal my understanding of God's grace?

One practical step I can take this week to store up treasures in heaven is...

## **A Prayer to Pray**

Jesus, please help me to follow You when my motivations are mixed. Amen.