



TRUST: [verb]

:: to have trust or confidence
in; rely or depend on.

:: to believe.

Who has [WHAT](#)?

Matthew 6:19-20

¹⁹ “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.”

Genesis 1:28a

And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it...”

We were created to love and use
the [RIGHT WAY](#).

Matthew 25:24-30

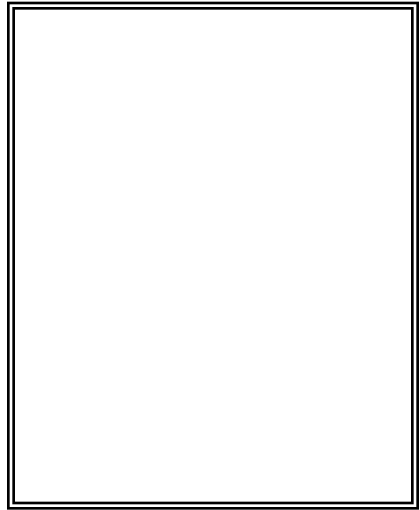
²⁴ “Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵ So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.’

²⁶ “His master replied, ‘You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷ Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.’

²⁸ “So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. ²⁹ For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance.

“Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

**Who has what
MATTERS.**



Matthew 6:21

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Having money is not **EVIL**,
but **LOVING** it is.

1 Timothy 6:10 (NLT)
*For the love of money is the
root of all kinds of evil.*

SO WHAT?

:: How we **GET** it.

:: How we **GUARD** it.

:: How we **GIVE** it.

Luke 6:38 [MSG]

“Give away your life; you’ll find life given back, but not merely given back—given back with bonus and blessing. Giving, not getting, is the way. Generosity begets generosity.”

NOTES:

“Earn all you can, give all you can, save all you can”
- John Wesley



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How to start a relationship with God:

- 1) Admitting that you, like everyone else, are in need of rescue.
- 2) Asking God to forgive your sins.
- 3) Saying YES to God by trusting Jesus as Savior & Lord.

You can do that right now by simply talking to God in a prayer like this:

**Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. Today, I receive you as my Savior; and I put my faith in you as my LORD. Help me to look to you and follow you all the days of my life.
In Your name, Amen.**

For Further Reflection:

:: Take a moment to discuss why talking about money is uncomfortable or sensitive for many people.

:: Reread/Review Matthew 6:19-21.

:: What are some of your initial observations about Jesus' words?

:: What does He specifically say about us and our HEARTS?

:: What does he specifically say about our TREASURE?

:: Pastor Shawn said, "We were created to love and use the right way."

:: Discuss what it looks like when we love things and use people.

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:: Share a time you or someone else got this right/wrong?

:: Review the parable Jesus told in Matthew 25:14-30.

:: Share how you feel when you read that story. Why?

:: What do you find most encouraging/discouraging about it?

:: Who do you most identify with in the story? Why?

:: Where is God calling you to greater levels of trusting in Him when it comes to getting, guarding and giving money?

:: Identify one thing you can do this week to more fully get, guard and give the way God wants.

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