

Leading The Heart Series
Home is Where the Heart Is
02/14/10

Text:

Matthew 6:21

Thesis:

That which we truly treasure is manifest in our investment of time, money and thought.

Discussion:

I) Determining My Treasure

a) Time

- 1) Most valuable non-recyclable resource
 - (i) James 4:14
 - (ii) Acts 17:21
- 2) Paul chose some priorities for his time
 - (i) Acts 18:23
 - (ii) Acts 20:16
- 3) What are my priorities based on time spent?

b) Money

- 1) Sometimes we treat money like it is not a recyclable resource.
 - (i) Money does not grow on trees.
 - (ii) Money can be earned again time cannot.
 - (iii) 1 Timothy 6:10
- 2) What priorities do my expenses say I have?

c) Thought

- 1) Meditation is yet another investment of time.
 - (i) Psalms 1:1-2
 - (ii) Psalms 77:12
- 2) Where are my thoughts spending my time?

II) Home

a) House

- 1) House is not necessarily a home.
- 2) A house can take a large investment of time and money (Money Pit)
- 3) A house becomes a home when it provides shelter for a family.

b) Spouse

1) Husbands

- (i) Ephesians 5:25
- (ii) Colossians 3:19
- (iii) 1 Peter 3:7

2) Wives

- (i) Ephesians 5:22
 - (a) Most dis-honoring and emasculating things to do is to demonstrate that you do not "have" to follow his lead. He knows this already.
 - (b) Following his lead will cause him to make decisions that include more time, and more listening.
- (ii) Ephesians 5:33
 - (a) When the wife does not reverence her husband but tears him down, she tears down herself.

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(b) Be in "Awe" or honor of him.

(iii) Titus 2:3-4

c) Children

1) Ephesians 6:1-2

2) Colossians 3:20

(i) Obedience means following the lead.

(ii) Luke 2:51-52

III) Jesus

a) His Way for Forgiveness (Is my heart, my loyalty truly with Him?)

1) John 14:6

2) John 8:24

3) Luke 13:3

4) Matthew 10:32

5) Mark 16:16

b) His Church (Bought and Paid For)

1) Matthew 16:18

(i) Acts 20:28

(ii) Ephesians 5:25

(iii) Romans 16:16

2) Acts 11:26

c) My Brothers and Sisters in Christ

1) Mark 5:19

2) Hebrews 10:22-25

(i) Question, if home is where the heart is, where will your heart be tonight? Or Wednesday night?

3) Hebrews 13:1

Conclusion

1. The Pharisees could argue law better than anyone and yet God wants our hearts.

2. I want my home to be with Jesus and my brothers and sisters.