

TREASURE PRINCIPLE

Treasure Principle:
“You can’t take it with you – but you can send it on ahead!”

Jim Elliot: “He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose”.

The Bible mentions the ability to earn “crowns”, “praise”, “treasure” and “rewards” (I Cor 9:25; II Tim 4:8; Jam 1:12; I Pet 5:4; Rev 2:10; I Cor 4:5; Mat 5:11-12, 6:19-20; Eph 6:8; Col 3:23-24; Rev 22:12).
Perhaps our greatest reward will be to hear “well done, good and faithful servant!”.

Parable of the Talents from Matthew 25:14-30 “... Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness! ...”.

Matthew 6:19-21

Luke 12:13-34

What is this “treasure in heaven”?

Includes:

- Power (Luke 19:15-19)
- Possessions (Mat 19:21)
- Pleasures (Psalm 16:11)
- “10,000 percent” return on our investment! (Mat 19:29)
- Jesus is our ultimate treasure (Phil 3:7-11)

Treasure Principle Key #1:
“God owns everything. I’m His money manager”.

Psalms 24:1

Psalms 50:12

Psalms 89:11

Psalms 100:3

I Cor 4:7

I Cor 6:19-20

I Cor 10:26

Mat 25:14-30

Treasure Principle #2:

“My heart always goes where I put God’s money”.

Mat 6:21

Exodus 36:2-7

2 Cor 8:1-7

**Treasure Principle #3:
“Heaven, not earth, is my home”.**

Roadblocks to giving?

Heb 11:13-16

2 Cor 5:20

Phil 3:20

**Treasure Principle #4:
“I should live not for the dot but for the line”.**

Eccl 5:10-15

**Treasure Principle #5:
“Giving is the only antidote to materialism”.**

I Tim 6:6-11, 17-19

Luke 19:1-10

**Treasure Principle #6:
“God prospers me not to raise my standard of living, but to raise my standard of giving”.**

2 Cor 9:6-11

2 Cor 8:14-15

Acts 20:35