

Using Money To Store Up Treasure In Heaven

(appropriate for High Schoolers and older)

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Matthew 6:19-21

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; 21 for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

How would you characterize this statement in verse 20? Is it a question, a statement, a suggestion, or something else? This is not a suggestion, this is a command! God commands us to intentionally and thoughtfully store up treasure for ourselves in heaven. To not do this is sin.

But some people disagree. They say that doing spiritual activities in order to receive rewards from God is an impure motivation. We should obey God because we love Him and for no other reason.

There are at least two problems with this thinking:

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

- 1) God tells us that if we don't believe God will reward us, its not possible to please Him. To think otherwise is to declare that God's standards are not as good as ours! Nice try God, but my way of doing things is better than yours! This is the ultimate sin of prideful arrogance.

Isaiah 14:14

'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.'

(Mark 7:6-9)

And He said to them, “Rightly did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: ‘This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far away from Me. 7 ‘But in vain do they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the precepts of men.’ 8 Neglecting the commandment of God, you hold to the tradition of men.” 9 He was also saying to them, “You are experts at setting aside the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition.

If God says that something is good, then it is good. If we don't think so, then what do we need to do? We need to repent and change our mind.

- 2) The second problem is that if you watch people that believe rewards are an impure motive, what you will notice is that they don't actually do much for God. At least nothing too difficult or requiring sacrifice.

Hebrews 11:24-26

By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, ²⁶ considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward.

Moses endured some very difficult things for a long time, but he didn't quit. Why? The reason Moses was able to do the things God wanted him to do was because he continually remembered that he would be rewarded for the sacrifices and difficulties he endured. That was his motivation.

How Do You Store Up Treasure in Heaven?

We store up treasure in heaven by investing ourselves in the things God says are important. From the Five Crowns we know that God highly values the following things and lays up rewards for us when we do them.

- 1) Witnessing – **(I Thessalonians 2:19-20)**
- 2) Helping Other Christians Grow (making disciples) – **(I Peter 5:1-4)**
- 3) Persevering Under Trial (staying faithful to God when it is costly and difficult) – **(James 1:12)**
- 4) Wholeheartedness, Moral/Sexual Purity – **(II Timothy 4:7-8)**
- 5) The Disciplines of the Christian Life – **(I Corinthians 9:24-27)**

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The disciplines of the Christian life include things like:

Bible Reading, Bible Study, Scripture Memory - **(II Timothy 2:15)**

Prayer / Quiet Time - **(Psalm 5:3)**

Fellowship – **(Hebrews 10:24-25)**

Serving – **(Galatians 5:13)**

Giving - **(I Timothy 6:17-19)**

So, giving money to furthering God's kingdom is one way of storing up treasure for yourself in heaven.

Why Is Money So Important Spiritually?

Luke 12:34 - For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

If we discipline ourselves to give to God's ministries even when we don't feel like it, what does this verse say will happen? Our hearts will follow. Giving changes our heart to be more in line with God's heart.

Also, how you spend your money reveals, in detail, what your real values are. Take a hard look at how you spend your money and it will keep you from deceiving yourself as to what your real values are. This is why marketing people would love to have a complete record of how you spend your money. But God is also keeping a record. God is closely tracking how you spend money.

Acts 10:1-4

Now *there was* a man at Caesarea named Cornelius, a centurion of what was called the Italian cohort, ² a devout man and one who feared God with all his household, and gave many alms to the Jewish people and prayed to God continually. ³ About the ninth hour of the day he clearly saw in a vision an angel of God who had *just* come in and said to him, "Cornelius!" ⁴ And fixing his gaze on him and being much alarmed, he said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said to him, "Your prayers and alms have ascended as a memorial before God.

Alms: money, clothes, food, and other things given to poor people

Luke 16:10-15

"He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much. ¹¹ Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you? ¹² And if you have not been faithful in the use of that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." ¹⁴ Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, were listening to all these things and were scoffing at Him. ¹⁵ And He said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but God knows your hearts; for that which is highly esteemed among men is detestable in the sight of God.

How you spend your money reveals who the real god is that you serve. Your stewardship of money is also one of the things God will use to determine if you are ready for more responsibility, both now, in the Millennial Kingdom, and in the New Jerusalem.

Luke 19:15-19

When he returned, after receiving the kingdom, he ordered that these slaves, to whom he had given the money, be called to him so that he might know what business they had done. ¹⁶ The first appeared, saying, ‘Master, your mina has made ten minas more.’ ¹⁷ And he said to him, ‘Well done, good slave, because you have been faithful in a very little thing, you are to be in authority over ten cities.’ ¹⁸ The second came, saying, ‘Your mina, master, has made five minas.’ ¹⁹ And he said to him also, ‘And you are to be over five cities.’

(Luke 19:20-26)

Another came, saying, ‘Master, here is your mina, which I kept put away in a handkerchief; ²¹ **for I was afraid of you, because you are an exacting man; you take up what you did not lay down and reap what you did not sow.’** ²² **He said to him, ‘By your own words I will judge you, you worthless slave. Did you know that I am an exacting man, taking up what I did not lay down and reaping what I did not sow?** ²³ **Then why did you not put my money in the bank, and having come, I would have collected it with interest?’** ²⁴ **Then he said to the bystanders, ‘Take the mina away from him and give it to the one who has the ten minas.’** ²⁵ **And they said to him, ‘Master, he has ten minas *already*.’** ²⁶ **I tell you that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.**

Mina: equal to 1/60 of a talent or 60 shekels. A mina is 1.25 lbs or 0.571 kg (18.358 troy ounces). So, a mina of gold would be worth about \$22,000. Some sources also refer to a mina as about 2/3 of an average person’s annual income and a talent would be a lifetime’s income (40 years of income). The English word “talent” that we use today originated from this monetary weight, “talent”, mentioned in the Bible.

Let’s take Jesus at His word. Let’s say you have an after tax income of \$33,000 and you give 2% of that (\$660 a year or \$55 per month) to an effective mission organization or missionary every year. So every month you send in a check for \$55 to this mission organization and you do this, every month, for 34 years. By the end of the 34 years you would have invested “one mina” in missions work. So, at the Judgment, God would receive a one mina return on the investment you made. What does Jesus say this is worth? Following the pattern in Luke 19, it looks like you would be given authority over a city in the Millennial Kingdom. What do we call someone who has authority over a city? We call them a mayor.

What if you invest 10% of your income? Instead of writing a \$55 check every month now it would be \$275 a month. After 34 years, you would have invested in and generated a return of 5 minas. According to Luke 19, this person would be given authority over 5 cities. What do we call someone who has authority over multiple cities? We call them a governor. Note that those who have invested their money wisely in God’s kingdom in this life will be mayors and governors in the Millennial Kingdom and, perhaps, the New Jerusalem. Jesus mentions a slave who generated a return of 10 minas. This is equivalent to giving 20% of your income over a 34 year period. So, Jesus is stating that giving in the range of 2% to 20% of your income will result in praise and reward at the judgment.

How Much Should You Give?

The Old Testament command was 10%.

(Hebrews 7:1-2)

For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham as he was returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, 2 to whom also Abraham apportioned a tenth part of all the spoils, was first of all, by the translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then also king of Salem, which is king of peace.

Today we are no longer under a numerical requirement - we give according to how much we want to reap. Notice in the parable of the minas in Luke 19 that Jesus mentions a slave who invested 5 minas (equivalent to 10% over 34 yrs) and one who invested 10 minas (20%). But even the slave who invests one mina (2%) will be praised and rewarded. If you have not started giving regularly I encourage you to start giving each month at a 2% rate for about a year. Once you are in the habit, then start increasing the percentage over time, perhaps a one percent increase per year. For example, as a college student I started by giving 5% of my part-time income. When I started working full-time, I slowly increased this each year by an additional 1%. This gives your faith time to grow and gives your heart time to change. Like most of the disciplines of the Christian life, the only numerical requirement God puts on giving is that the number can't be zero. Other than that, its up to you to decide how much you want to invest in eternity and how much you want to reap.

II Corinthians 9:5-11

So I thought it necessary to urge the brethren that they would go on ahead to you and arrange beforehand your previously promised bountiful gift, so that the same would be ready as a bountiful gift and not affected by covetousness. 6 Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed; 9 as it is written, "He scattered abroad, he gave to the poor, His righteousness endures forever." 10 Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness; 11 you will be enriched in everything for all liberality, which through us is producing thanksgiving to God.

(II Corinthians 9:12-15)

For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God. 13 Because of the proof given by this ministry, they will glorify God for your obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all, 14 while they also, by prayer on your behalf, yearn for you because of the surpassing grace of God in you. 15 Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Notice that you reap to the same degree that you sow. Also notice that God's promises of increased provision are for those who sow bountifully. Increase your giving and notice that God will not leave you with a shortage.

Philippians 4:15-19

You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; ¹⁶ for even in Thessalonica you sent a *gift* more than once for my needs. ¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account. ¹⁸ But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Proverbs 3:9-10

Honor the LORD from your wealth And from the first of all your produce; 10 So your barns will be filled with plenty And your vats will overflow with new wine.

(II Corinthians 8:1-5)

Now, brethren, we wish to make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia, 2 that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance of joy and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality. 3 For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, they gave of their own accord, 4 begging us with much urging for the favor of participation in the support of the saints, 5 and this, not as we had expected, but they first gave themselves to the Lord and to us by the will of God.

Giving is a Discipline

Giving, like any other Christian discipline, requires planning and forethought. To do it successfully, you will need to develop a plan of earning, saving, and giving just like you do for paying bills. Don't give God your leftovers as an afterthought.

(I Corinthians 16:1-3)

Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I directed the churches of Galatia, so do you also.

² On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper, so that no collections be made when I come. ³ When I arrive, whomever you may approve, I will send them with letters to carry your gift to Jerusalem;

How Do You Decide Who To Give To?

God is looking for a fruitful return on His investment. As a result, we want to invest our giving in ministries that are being effective at the things God cares about.

We start by going back to the list of the Five Crowns.

- 1) Witnessing – (I Thessalonians 2:19-20)
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What kinds of Christian ministries are there that are having a positive impact in these five areas?

- 1) Your church
- 2) Witnessing (ex: Campus Crusade for Christ, Billy Graham Evangelistic Assoc., etc.)
- 3) Helping Other Christians Grow (ex: Navigators, Answers-in-Genesis, apologetics ministries, etc.)
- 4) Persevering Under Trial (ex: Open Doors, etc.)
- 5) Wholeheartedness/Moral/Sexual Purity (ex: Focus on the Family, etc.)
- 6) Disciplines of Christian Life (ex: Awana, Navigators, Bible translation societies, Gideons, etc.)

In addition God adds three more things to the list of giving that He rewards: helping the weak, the poor, and our parents when they are in need:

Matthew 15:3-9 (parents)

And He answered and said to them, "Why do you yourselves transgress the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition? ⁴ For God said, 'HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER,' and, 'HE WHO SPEAKS EVIL OF FATHER OR MOTHER IS TO BE PUT TO DEATH.' ⁵ But you say, 'Whoever says to *his* father or mother, 'Whatever I have that would help you has been given to God,' ⁶ he is not to honor his father or his mother.' And *by this* you invalidated the word of God for the sake of your tradition. ⁷ You hypocrites, rightly did Isaiah prophesy of you: 'THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME. 'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN.'"

Acts 20:33-35 (the weak)

I have coveted no one's silver or gold or clothes. ³⁴ You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my own needs and to the men who were with me. ³⁵ In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Ephesians 4:28 (the poor)

He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.

Key Principle: When you give to a ministry, God credits you as if you were personally doing that ministry. Therefore, give to ministries you feel are effective and efficient at doing God's work.

III John 1:5-8

Beloved, you are acting faithfully in whatever you accomplish for the brethren, and especially *when they are strangers*; ⁶ and they have testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God. ⁷ For they went out for the sake of the Name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles. ⁸ Therefore we ought to support such men, so that we may be fellow workers with the truth.

Appendix – Additional Passages Related to Giving

I Timothy 5:8

But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Deuteronomy 8:18

"But you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who is giving you power to make wealth, that He may confirm His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

II Thessalonians 3:10

For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: if anyone is not willing to work, then he is not to eat, either.

Mark 4:14-20

The sower sows the word. ¹⁵ These are the ones who are beside the road where the word is sown; and when they hear, immediately Satan comes and takes away the word which has been sown in them. ¹⁶ In a similar way these are the ones on whom seed was sown on the rocky *places*, who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy; ¹⁷ and they have no *firm* root in themselves, but are *only* temporary; then, when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately they fall away. ¹⁸ And others are the ones on whom seed was sown among the thorns; these are the ones who have heard the word, ¹⁹ but the worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. ²⁰ And those are the ones on whom seed was sown on the good soil; and they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty, sixty, and a hundredfold."

I Timothy 6:8-11

If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content. ⁹ But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. ¹¹ But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and gentleness.

I Timothy 6:17-19

Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy. ¹⁸ *Instruct them* to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹ storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.

Hebrews 13:5-6

Make sure that your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, "I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU," ⁶so that we confidently say, "THE LORD IS MY HELPER, I WILL NOT BE AFRAID. WHAT WILL MAN DO TO ME?"

Ecclesiastes 5:10-14

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves abundance with its income. This too is vanity. ¹¹When good things increase, those who consume them increase. So what is the advantage to their owners except to look on? ¹²The sleep of the working man is pleasant, whether he eats little or much; but the full stomach of the rich man does not allow him to sleep. ¹³There is a grievous evil which I have seen under the sun: riches being hoarded by their owner to his hurt. ¹⁴When those riches were lost through a bad investment and he had fathered a son, then there was nothing to support him.

I Corinthians 9:18

What then is my reward? That, when I preach the gospel, I may offer the gospel without charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

I Samuel 30:21-25

When David came to the two hundred men who were too exhausted to follow David, who had also been left at the brook Besor, and they went out to meet David and to meet the people who were with him, then David approached the people and greeted them. ²² Then all the wicked and worthless men among those who went with David said, "Because they did not go with us, we will not give them any of the spoil that we have recovered, except to every man his wife and his children, that they may lead them away and depart." ²³ Then David said, "You must not do so, my brothers, with what the LORD has given us, who has kept us and delivered into our hand the band that came against us. ²⁴ And who will listen to you in this matter? For as his share is who goes down to the battle, so shall his share be who stays by the baggage; they shall share alike." ²⁵ So it has been from that day forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance for Israel to this day.

I Corinthians 9:8-14

I am not speaking these things according to human judgment, am I? Or does not the Law also say these things? ⁹ For it is written in the Law of Moses, "YOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING." God is not concerned about oxen, is He? ¹⁰ Or is He speaking altogether for our sake? Yes, for our sake it was written, because the plowman ought to plow in hope, and the thresher *to thresh* in hope of sharing *the crops*. ¹¹ If we sowed spiritual things in you, is it too much if we reap material things from you? ¹² If others share the right over you, do we not more? Nevertheless, we did not use this right, but we endure all things so that we will cause no hindrance to the gospel of Christ. ¹³ Do you not know that those who perform sacred services eat the *food* of the temple, *and* those who attend regularly to the altar have their share from the altar? ¹⁴ So also the Lord directed those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel.

Galatians 6:6-10

The one who is taught the word is to share all good things with the one who teaches *him*. ⁷ Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary. ¹⁰ So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

Matthew 10:9-10

Do not acquire gold, or silver, or copper for your money belts, ¹⁰ or a bag for *your* journey, or even two coats, or sandals, or a staff; for the worker is worthy of his support.

Romans 15:26-27

For Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to make a contribution for the poor among the saints in Jerusalem. ²⁷ Yes, they were pleased *to do so*, and they are indebted to them. For if the Gentiles have shared in their spiritual things, they are indebted to minister to them also in material things.

Luke 8:1-3

Soon afterwards, He *began* going around from one city and village to another, proclaiming and preaching the kingdom of God. The twelve were with Him, ² and *also* some women who had been healed of evil spirits and sicknesses: Mary who was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, ³ and Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others who were contributing to their support out of their private means.

Matthew 19:21

Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be complete, go *and* sell your possessions and give to *the* poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."

Luke 6:35

But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil *men*.

Luke 6:30

Give to everyone who asks of you, and whoever takes away what is yours, do not demand it back. ³¹ Treat others the same way you want them to treat you.

Luke 14:33

So then, none of you can be My disciple who does not give up all his own possessions.

Matthew 25:24-29

"And the one also who had received the one talent came up and said, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you scattered no seed. 25 And I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours.' 26 "But his master answered and said to him, 'You wicked, lazy slave, you knew that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I scattered no seed. 27 Then you ought to have put my money in the bank, and on my arrival I would have received my money back with interest. 28 Therefore take away the talent from him, and give it to the one who has the ten talents.' 29 "For to everyone who has, more shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.

Luke 21:1-4

And He looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury. ² And He saw a poor widow putting in two small copper coins. ³ And He said, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all *of them*; ⁴ for they all out of their surplus put into the offering; but she out of her poverty put in all that she had to live on."

Matthew 6:2-4

"So when you give to the poor, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be honored by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. ³ But when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving will be in secret; and your Father who sees *what is done* in secret will reward you.

Acts 11:29-30

And in the proportion that any of the disciples had means, each of them determined to send a *contribution* for the relief of the brethren living in Judea. ³⁰ And this they did, sending it in charge of Barnabas and Saul to the elders.

Revelation 22:12-13

"Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

QUIET TIMES ALONE WITH GOD

JEREMIAH 15:16

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When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

How will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: *Using Money To Store Up Treasure In Heaven*

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: *Proverbs 3:9-10*

How does this passage relate to the theme?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

How will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: *II Corinthians 8:1-5*

How does this passage relate to the theme?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

How will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: *I Corinthians 16:1-3*

How does this passage relate to the theme?

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: *Using Money To Store Up Treasure In Heaven*

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: *Matthew 15:3-9*

How does this passage relate to the theme?

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How will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: *Acts 20:33-35, Ephesians 4:28*

How does this passage relate to the theme?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

How will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: *III John 1:5-8*

How does this passage relate to the theme?

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