

“A Wholehearted Investment”
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CT: Wholehearted investment in the _____ of God yields _____.

I. We are called to invest wholeheartedly in the Kingdom of God (Matt 6:19-20).

A. We must not invest in worldly matters that perish (6:19).

1. The term “lay up” or “store up” means to _____.

2. There are many worldly things that are treasured.

a. The point isn’t as much about the earthly treasures themselves, as one’s _____ in pursuing them.

B. We are called to invest in the things of God, that are imperishable (6:20).

1. This is a strong contrast.

2. These two statements set the context for the entire passage to verse 24.

3. There are many _____ we can cling to on earth (1 Tim 6:17-19).

4. It is a lot like investing in the new home that you haven’t yet moved into (2 Cor 4:16-18).

II. Investing in the Kingdom of God yields blessing.

A. Why should we surrender ourselves fully to the Kingdom of God? The answer: _____.

B. Blessing comes to those who give themselves to the Kingdom of God (6:20).

1. We have already seen that investing in heavenly treasure yields _____.

2. Investing in the Kingdom yields _____ (1 Tim 6:3-11).

a. One little word makes a world of difference → _____.

3. Investing in the Kingdom yields abundant returns (Luke 6:35-38).

4. Investing in the Kingdom can bring material blessing (Mal 3:10-11; Isa 58:12).

5. Investing in the Kingdom yields the most important of all blessings: _____ (2 Cor 8:1-5).

a. We see similar examples of spiritual blessings in other places (Acts 16:25-34; Luke 19:1-10; Acts 5:17-42).

b. In striking contrast, we find another who was unwilling to invest in heavenly treasure (Matt 19:16-22).

C. What we value will control our _____ (Matt 6:21).

D. We cannot wholeheartedly serve both God and _____ (Matt 6:24).