

Are You Worried About Your Future?

Are you worried about your future? About your wealth or lack of it? What did Jesus say about worry and wealth?

Directions

Read Matthew 6:19-24 and mark treasure and wealth with a \$.

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- 19 "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.
- 22 "The eye is the lamp of the body; so then if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light.
- 23 "But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!
- 24 "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

What did Jesus say about our treasure? What kind of treasure are we to have? Why?

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Read verses 25-34 and circle references to worry.

- 25 "For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, as to what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?
- 26 "Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?
- 27 "And who of you by being worried can add a single hour to his life?
- 28 "And why are you worried about clothing? Observe how the lilies of the field grow; they do not toil nor do they spin,
- 29 yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these.
- 30 "But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, will He not much more clothe you? You of little faith!
- 31 "Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?'
- 32 "For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.
- 33 "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.
- **34** "So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

What did Jesus say we are not to worry about?

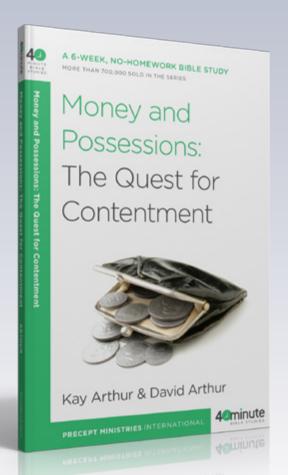
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What reason did He give for not worrying?

What connections do you see between verse 33 and what you have observed by marking "treasure" and "worry"?

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