

# **Your Money or Your Life**

Matthew 19:16 – 30

## **I. Introduction**

## **II. Don't Let Money and Possessions Keep You from Eternal Life**

### **A. Money and possessions can grip our hearts and keep us from responding to God**

**Matthew 6:19 – 21, 24** "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also... No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

**1 Corinthians 1:26** For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth.

## **B. Money and possessions can't compare with the rewards of God's grace**

**Matthew 13:44 – 45** "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it."

**Psalm 49:16 – 20** Be not afraid when a man becomes rich, when the glory of his house increases. For when he dies he will carry nothing away; his glory will not go down after him. For though, while he lives, he counts himself blessed—and though you get praise when you do well for yourself—his soul will go to the generation of his fathers, who will never again see light. Man in his pomp yet without understanding is like the beasts that perish.

## **III. Conclusion**