

### 3 QUESTIONS THAT SHAPE YOUR LIFE

#### Against the Grain – Part 6

(A study of the Sermon on the Mount: Matt. 5-7)

Matthew 6:19-24

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#### 1. What will guide the way that I (spend money)?

##### Some Possible Options:

- How much money I make.
- How much (credit) I have.
- Impulse spending or how badly I want something.
- A (budget) based on prayer, planning, and balancing my needs with the needs of others.

*“Don’t put away riches for yourselves on earth. Moth and rust can destroy them. Thieves can break in and steal them. Instead, put away riches for yourselves in heaven. There, moths and rust do not destroy them. There, thieves do not break in and steal them. Your heart will be where your riches are.” – Matthew 6:19-21 NIV*

*“Those who give one of these little ones a cup of cold water because they are my followers will truly get their reward.” – Matthew 10:42 NCV*

*“God is fair. He will not forget what you have done. He will remember the love you have shown him. You showed it when you helped his people. And you show it when you keep on helping them.” – Hebrews 6:10 NIRV*

*“Give, and you will receive. You will be given much. Pressed down, shaken together, and running over, it will spill into your lap. The way that you give to others is the way that God will give to you.” – Luke 6:38 NCV*

#### 2. Who will I watch as my (role models) in life?

*“Your eye is a lamp that provides light for your body. When your eye is good, your whole body is filled with light. But when your eye is bad, your whole body is filled with darkness. And if the light you think you have is actually darkness, how deep that darkness is!” – Matthew 6:22-23 NLT*

*“A student is not better than his teacher. Nor is a slave better than his owner. It is enough for a student to become like his teacher....” – Matthew 10:24-25 GW*

*“Do not be misled. Bad company corrupts good character.” – 1 Cor. 15:33*

#### 3. What will be the primary (pursuit) of my life?

*“No one can serve two masters. He will hate the first master and love the second, or he will be devoted to the first and despise the second. You cannot serve God and wealth.” – Matthew 6:24 GW*

*“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.” – Matthew 13:44*

*“Peter said to him, ‘We have left everything to follow you!’ ‘I tell you the truth,’ Jesus replied, ‘no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.’” – Mark 10:28-31*

### **“Digging Deeper” Scripture Readings:**

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>Matthew 19:16-30</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>Luke 12:13-34</b>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>Luke 16:1-31</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>1 Timothy 6:1-21</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>2 Corinthians 8:1-15</b>