

## Week Four

### God's Treasure: The Eyes Have It



Participants Guide

### CIRCLE UP

#### Introductions

What is the greatest concern in your life, right now?  
(What keeps you awake at night?)

#### Pray Together

#### Interactions

Sunday's message was about the counter-culture principle of the treasure in God's kingdom. Kingdom treasure and kingdom priority are different than what we often see in the world around us. If we are honest, they are sometimes different than what we cherish *within* us.

1. How did Jesus speak to you, through Sunday's message?
2. If you wear glasses, tell about a time when you broke or lost them  
If you do not, tell about a time when you were unable to see clearly.

#### **DISCOVER Kingdom Principles**

In Matthew 6, Jesus continues His teaching on Kingdom Righteousness that He began in Chapter 5. The first verse of Chapter 6 begins a discussion on doing "acts of righteousness." Under this broad theme of Kingdom Righteousness, Jesus offers four Kingdom Principles for God's Kingdom Treasure.

#### **Kingdom Investing**

- Read Matthew 6:19-21
3. What is the difference between earthly treasures and heavenly treasures?  
Gives some examples.
  4. Discuss the validity of this potential Kingdom Principle:  
*\*Guarding my heart by guiding my treasure*

#### **Kingdom Generosity**

- Read Matthew 6:22-23

Healthy eyes are eyes that see well. Their vision is not distorted, blocked, or blinded by darkness. They generously let in light so images can be processed. Unhealthy eyes do not see well because vision is distorted, blocked, or blocked out. Reread the verses inserting the words: "*generous*" and "*stingy*" in place of "*healthy*" and "*unhealthy*."

5. Discuss this viability of this possible Kingdom Principle:

*\*My outlook reveals either a spirit of generosity or a spirit of lack.*

#### **Kingdom Allegiance**

- Read Matthew 6:24
6. How does this verse address kingdom allegiance?

7. Discuss if this is an accurate kingdom principle:

*\*Divided allegiance gives me a fractured/disassociated life*

#### **Kingdom Confidence**

- Read Matthew 6:25-34
8. What is the key to a worry-free life?

9. To what extent can the following be considered a Kingdom Principle?

*\*I surrender my worries to Our Father as I place my confidence in the King.*

#### **DISCUSS Kingdom Priorities**

In his book, *Lead Like Jesus*, Ken Blanchard gives two opposite expressions of *EGO*. It can mean either: Eding God Ot or Exalting God Only. Which side of ego our lives express reveals much about us.

10. How does ego come into play in this discussion of God's Treasure?

#### **DO Kingdom Practices**

11. What might Jesus calling us to DO as a result of all this?

#### **For NEXT TIME:**

- Read/Listen to Matthew 7:1-12
- Attend/Watch Sunday Gathering, in person or online.
- Pray/Consider: "*What is Jesus saying to me about His kingdom and our group?*"
- YouVersion "*Upside-Down Kingdom*" [click here](#)