Pastor Bill Butler

TREASURE IN HEAVEN - PART I

April 17, 2016

Matthew 6:19-34

Blessings of Good Company

Mark 10:21; Luke 6:20, 24; 18:24-25; 12:15, 33-34; 19:8-9; Matthew 13:44; Luke 21:1-3; 12:20-21; Matthew 23:23; Acts 2:42, 45; 2 Corinthians 8:1-2; 9:7-9; James 1:11

Blessings Released

Luke 12:48; Matthew 5:44-45

Blessings of Joy

Proverbs 14:2; 22:9; 1 Timothy 6:9; Acts 20:35; John 14:27

Blessings of Three Essential Commands

Matthew 6:19-21, 25, 31, 34 & 33; Acts 1:8

Blessings of Giving

Matthew 6:19-24; Luke 12:32-34; 14:13-14; Philippians 1:20-23 Of

1. "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for ones life does not consist in the of his possessions." Luke 12:15
2. We are to give sacrificially as God gave His Son sacrificially that we might have
3. "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may in every good work. As it is written, 'He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." 2 Corinthians 9:7-9
4. Nearly one quarter of all born-again Christians (23%) gave no money to a church because they are carrying too much debt and/or because of their lack of to live the Christian lifestyle in every aspect.
5. Jesus' peace is found in living the lifestyle by Christ: meditation on the Word, prayer, giving of oneself and of one's resources for the advancement of the gospel.
6. Seeking the kingdom of God and His righteousness involves seeking riches in rather than riches on earth.
7. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on, 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." Matthew 6:19-20
8. Laying up treasures in heaven and laying up treasures on earth are incompatible. You must between them.
9. Your possessions on earth are not for accumulating, but for distributing in ways that honor Christ. The added benefit is that our is increased.
10. You are laying up treasures in heaven. "For you will be at the resurrection of the just". Luke 14:14b

(All scripture references are from the ESV.)

Schedule for the week of April 18-24, 2016

TUESDAY: Women's Bible Study

1:00-3:00 @ MCC's Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY: Sunday Service & Fellowship Meal

10:00 am @ LVCC's "Upper Room"

Announcements:



to **Chloe** on Thursday, April 21st and to **Gabriel** on Friday, April 22nd



Women's Bible Study this Tuesday - <u>The</u> <u>Names of God</u> by Ann Spangler, lesson 40 "Lion of the Tribe of Judah."



Our monthly **Fellowship Meal** follows the service next Sunday. You can sign up for a dish to bring on CBC's group email.



Much interest in volunteering to help at the **East Mtn. Food Pantry** was expressed! Once Sammy decides which day to add services, she will let us know what time slots need filling.

CBC partners with these local outreaches:

- Camp Oro Quay (505-281-5474)
- East Mtn. Care Net Pregnancy Center (505-281-5408)

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