

AT THE MASTER'S FEET:
A study of Jesus' Sermons in the Gospel of Matthew
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THE MASTER'S ETHIC: THE TRUE LIFE

True Success - Matthew 6:19-24
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Our success depends upon key choices:

6:19-21 I. We must choose between two treasures.

:19 A. Earthly treasure is perishable.
"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal..."

:20 B. Heavenly treasure is imperishable.
"...but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal."

:21 C. Your heart follows your treasure.
"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

6:22-23 II. We must choose between two visions.

:22 A. Healthy vision brings light.
"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light..."

:23 B. Unhealthy vision brings darkness.
"...but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!"

6:24 III. We must choose between two masters.

A. They are totalitarian.
"No one can serve two masters..."

B. They are mutually exclusive.
"...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."