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Matthew 6:19-21

We invest our lives in one of two places:

1. In the _____.
2. In the _____.

What it doesn't mean:

- you shouldn't _____
- you can't have _____
- you shouldn't _____

What it does mean:

- Don't leverage your resources _____
- Don't live as an _____
 - a) Individualistic – everything _____ on them
 - b) Consumeristic – my _____ will come from consuming
 - c) Materialist – believe _____ is it

What it will require:

1. Knowledge of _____: (what matters to Him?)
2. Knowledge of _____:
 - a) Where are you susceptible to I, C, M?
 - b) Where are you gifted and passionate?
3. Practice _____:
 - a) Understand the Objective Scale of Value.
 - b) Not everything is as equally important.
 - c) We must understand and repent of our disordered loves.

Lastly, understand that Jesus sought _____.

Community Group Questions

1. What was your major take-away from Sunday's sermon? What did the Holy Spirit put on your heart?
2. How are you currently investing your life? If a third-party objective observant with nothing to lose or gain examined your life, what conclusions would they draw? Are you satisfied with those conclusions? Do they line up with God's heart and the Scriptures?
3. Reflect on the statement: Don't live as an Individualistic, Consumeristic, Materialist. Which one of these do you struggle with most? How does it manifest itself in your life? Why do you think you struggle with this one?
4. What did you think about the Randy Alcorn quote from Sunday? How did it make you feel? "You can't take it with you – when you die, but you can send it on ahead." Do you believe that there will be tangible rewards in heaven? Do you focus on this life or the life to come more? Why?
5. Take some minutes as a group and list out what matters most to God? What does he love? What did He give up His life for? How (& why) should the local church be at the center of our investment?
6. Are you currently using your gifts and passions to make much of Jesus at Crossroads, where you live, where you work, where you play? Why must the local church be included in the mix?
7. Do you believe there is an Objective Scale of Values to Everything? What is too important to you right now that is disordered in your life? What might the Holy Spirit be asking you to intentionally neglect to focus on what matters most?
8. Remember: We can pursue the greatest treasure of Jesus, because He first pursued us and died in our place so we might be reconciled back to our Heavenly Father. Pray Together.

