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**YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU,
BUT YOU CAN SEND IT ON AHEAD!**

[Lay] up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. - Matthew 6:20 ESV

Investment Principle #3:

HEAVEN IS MY HOME, NOT EARTH.

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

– Philippians 3:20-21 ESV

Making Heaven Count

THE LIE OF SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND EVERYTHING

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. – Colossians 3:1-3 ESV

Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all. – Colossians 3:11 ESV

THE JOY OF CONTENTMENT

Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. – Philippians 4:11-13 ESV

But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. – 1 Timothy 6:6-7 ESV

Investment Principle #4:

I SHOULD LIVE FOR THE FUTURE, NOT THE PRESENT.

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, 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 ESV

Long Term Dividends The Five Heavenly Crowns

- **IMPERISHABLE CROWN**

*And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown.
– 1 Corinthians 9:25 NKJV*

- **CROWN OF REJOICING**

For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? – 1 Thessalonians 2:19 NKJV

- **CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**

Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing. – 2 Timothy 4:8 NKJV

- **CROWN OF GLORY**

...and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. – 1 Peter 5:4 NKJV

- **CROWN OF LIFE**

*Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.
– Revelation 2:10 NKJV*

Next Steps

- Memorize **Matthew 6:20**.
- I will live like a citizen of heaven, knowing that Christ rules over every part of my life- including my financial decisions.
- I will live for the heavenly reward that is coming when Christ returns.
- I will put my trust in Jesus Christ for the very first time.

Walk The Talk

A Growth Group Guide

1. What do you think Heaven will be like? Share as much detail as you can. What are some biblical images of Heaven that capture your imagination?
2. Share your thoughts on the phrase, “so heavenly-minded, no earthly good.”
3. What do you think it means to be a citizen of Heaven? How should it affect your earthly commitments and decisions?
4. How can you make the idea of contentment more a part of your life—specifically in your finances and in your time?
5. Are you by nature a procrastinator or a planner? What are some ways that you procrastinate in your heavenly investments? What are ways that you plan your heavenly investments?
6. Interact with the idea that our earthly actions have bearing on our heavenly reward. Does this idea make you feel uncomfortable? Why, or why not?