

The Eye and the Two Masters

Matthew 6:22–24

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EPISODE SUMMARY

Still talking about money and the heart, Jesus comes at it from two new angles: the way we see and the master we serve. The eye is the lamp of the body — a healthy, generous eye lets the light in and floods the whole self; a bad, grasping eye fills the same body with darkness, and the real danger is mistaking that darkness for light. Then comes the verdict, stated flat: no one can serve two masters. Not that we shouldn't — that we can't. Jesus names the rival out loud: money, the lord that doesn't look like one, ruling quietly through what we chase and what we fear. Either money is a tool in the hands of someone who serves God, or money is the master and God gets the leftovers.

KEY THEMES

- The eye is the lamp of the body — a generous eye fills it with light (v. 22).
- A bad, grasping eye fills the body with darkness — and mistakes the dark for light (v. 23).
- "No one can serve two masters" — not "won't," but "can't" (v. 24).
- Money is the rival lord that rules quietly; God asks for all of you, not a slice.
- The call to choose is real and lands today — but we serve because he bought us, not to buy his favor.

KEY SCRIPTURE

"No one can serve two masters, since either he will hate one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

— Matthew 6:24, CSB

TAKEAWAY TRUTH

How you see your treasure lights, or darkens, the whole self — and a divided heart sees nothing clearly. You cannot serve both God and money; it is not a balance to keep but a Lord to choose. And you are not choosing between two strangers — you are choosing the One who already chose you.

APPLICATION FOR TODAY

Ask the honest question: who really gets the final word when God and money pull against each other? The answer turns up in the calendar, the bank statement, and the things you are afraid to lose. Then take the grace underneath it — the Master came after you and bought you at the cross. Settle the throne with the next decision about the money that has been trying to be your master.

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