



DISCUSSION GUIDE

Part 1 of The Heart of the Mind

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God cares about more than what we do with our possessions. He cares about what our treasures reveal about our hearts, what our eyes cause us to desire, and who ultimately has our devotion.

1. The Heart: Treasure Reveals (*Matthew 6:21; Proverbs 4:23; Proverbs 27:19; Jeremiah 17:9; Matthew 15:19; Luke 6:45; Hebrews 4:12*)

- What we treasure reveals what is happening in our hearts. Scripture tells us to guard our hearts because our hearts influence the direction of our lives.

Discuss:

- *What do your time, attention, energy, and resources reveal about what you treasure?*
- *Is there anything in your life that God may be showing you has become more valuable to you than it should be?*

2. The Eye: Treasure Deceives (*Matthew 6:22–23; Deuteronomy 15:9*)

- Jesus connects the condition of our eyes with the condition of our lives because what captures our attention can eventually capture our hearts.

Discuss:

- *What are some things that can distort the way we see our possessions, success, or other people?*
- *How can comparison affect what we desire or believe we need?*

3. The Master: Treasure Competes (*Matthew 6:24–25*)

- Jesus makes it clear that our treasure is ultimately connected to our allegiance. We cannot give our highest devotion to two competing masters. Money and possessions are not inherently the problem, but they can become a master when they begin to control our decisions, priorities, security, or identity.

Discuss:

- *What are some signs that money or possessions may be competing with God for our devotion?*
- *How are anxiety and our desire for control connected to what we trust?*

