



Ship Shape

EMBARKING ON A JOURNEY OF GROWTH
"STEWARDSHIP"

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Matthew 6:6:19-34

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2. My heart follows what I _____.

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3. I choose the _____ I'm going to trust.

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So if the Son sets you free, you will indeed be free. John 8:36 (NLT)

4. Money can never _____ deeply.

Those who love money will never have enough. How absurd to think that wealth brings true happiness! Ecclesiastes 5:10 (NLT)

For the love of money is at the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. 1 Timothy 6:10 (NLT)

Why be like the pagans who are so deeply concerned about these things? Your heavenly Father already knows all your needs, and he will give you all you need from day to day if you live for him and make the Kingdom of God your primary concern. Matthew 6:32-33 (NLT)



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**DISCUSSION
QUESTIONS**
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[CONNECT]

When you were growing up, what was something you really wanted and saved up to buy? What did it mean to you?

[ENGAGE]

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

[GROW]

1. What does it mean to store treasures in heaven rather than on earth, as mentioned in Matthew 6:19-21?
2. How does the concept of serving two masters in Matthew 6:24 relate to our daily lives and decisions?
3. Why does 1 Timothy 6:10 describe the love of money as the root of all kinds of evil, and how can this lead to wandering from the faith?
4. Think about your current financial habits for a minute. Are there areas where you are storing treasures on earth rather than in heaven? What specific changes can you make to align more with Jesus' teachings in Matthew 6:19-21?
5. Identify one area in your life where the love of money might be causing stress or anxiety. What practical steps can you take this week to shift your focus from money to God's promises and provision?
6. Reflect on a time when you felt true contentment and satisfaction. Was it related to financial gain or something else? How can you seek that same contentment through God's Kingdom rather than through material wealth?

[LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Consider your current priorities. Are there ways you can invest more in God's Kingdom, such as through giving, serving, or supporting missions? What is one specific action you can take this week to start this investment?