

What Rules Our Lives?

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“What do my eyes look at?” The surface, the peripheral. God sees our hearts, (1 Sam 16:7) and wants to speak into them.

God placed His Spirit in us and robed us in righteousness. However, through our life choices, it's as though we dilute His Spirit in us.

Where is the treasure of my heart?

Our eyes reveal what's happening in our hearts / minds. Worldly-mindedness allows Satan a foothold within us.

Ask Jesus to direct your heart towards what your treasure should be.

Material, temporal things are not wrong, but when our identity is based on those things, that is a problem.

If you drew a pie-chart of your heart, how much would be given to Jesus?

We must not find anything else of more value than God there. The treasure in our hearts is what people see in our eyes and in our lives. If the treasure in our hearts is that Jesus died for us so that we can be forgiven and find fullness of life in Him, then that is what others see.

The fortified towers and cities of the world are not safe; but the name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run into it and are safe. (Proverbs 18:10-11)

When Jesus shines in us the light is visible to others. The more of Jesus' light we have within us, the brighter we shine His light to others. The more we allow Him and His word to be the treasure in our hearts, the more we can be light to others.

Prov. 23:26

Eph. 1:16-21