

Treasure Principle

Buried Treasure

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TREASURE – a motif begun in Eden, lost through Adam, promised to Eve, offered to Abraham, fulfilled in Christ, obtained in heaven.

I rejoice at Your word (promise) as one who finds great treasure.
Psalm 119:162 NKJV

SERIES FOCUS

Our **USE** and **ATTITUDE** towards the valuables we have.

Specifically: **GENEROSITY**

Some books try to motivate giving out of guilt. This isn't one of them. This book is about something else – the joy of giving. Once you grasp it and put it into practice, nothing will ever look the same. Introduction The Treasure Principle, Randy Alcorn, p. 5

Longing for something more.

¹¹*He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.* Ecclesiastes 3:11.

⁴⁴*The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.* Matthew 13:44

There is a fundamental connection between our **SPIRITUAL** lives and how we think about/handle **MONEY**.

Money connection – **FAITH** & finances are inseparable.

Our spiritual maturity is not determined by religious practices, but our spiritual maturity is **REVEALED** by our lives.

¹⁰“What should we do then?” the crowd asked. ¹¹John answered...
Luke 3:10-14

- Share clothes & food with the poor
- Don't pocket extra money or pad your expense account.
- Don't bully others into giving you more money – thank God for your job as it is.

¹⁹*Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.*

Matthew 6:19-20

It's the **SMART** thing to do.

Develop a Treasure **MENTALITY**.

THE TREASURE PRINCIPLE

You can't **TAKE** it with you, but you can **SEND** it on ahead.

TREASURE DARE CHALLENGE

- 1 – Confess to God your desire to understand & view “real treasure” the way He does.
- 2 – Ask God to show you what area of your life/possession/attitude you have kept for yourself.
- 3 – Release it and ask Him for the Spirit's power to leave it there.

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