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WEEK 3: Treasure

Small Group Discussion Guide // March 18, 2018

1. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that challenged, intrigued, surprised, bothered, confused, or was new to you?
2. Pastor Brandon has been discussing how Jesus calls us to be a peculiar people - people who are agents of heaven on earth. Last week we talked about how Jesus instructs us to turn the other cheek, give also our coat and going the extra mile.
Did you see an opportunity this week to give a peculiar response? If so, give a brief description of the situation?
3. This week Pastor Brandon began his message by talking about "Treasures in Heaven." Read **Matthew 6:19-21**.
When you think about Heavenly treasures, what comes to mind? How do these treasures compare to what are society thinks of earthly treasures? How does the pursuit of earthly success distract us from the opportunities we have to store up treasures in heaven?
4. Read **Matthew 25:31-46**. It's clear that God cares deeply for the downtrodden and marginalized. Compare verses 37 and 44.
What do these verses tell us about what Kingdom living is really like? What do you find difficult about this passage?
5. Read **Mark 10:17-23**. Jesus cares more about our soul than our stuff. With that said...
Why do you think Jesus asked the rich young ruler to sell everything and give to the poor? How should a heavenly perspective change our motivations/actions on earth? How can our earthly blessings become heavenly investments?
6. If we believe that God is love and that as Christians we are supposed to align our hearts with the heart of God, then our actions need to be dictated and motivated by love. Are there situations in your life where you should stop and ask yourself a simple question:
What does love require of me here?
7. What is one thing you need to remember or act on this week as a result of this teaching and study? What accountability do you need to ensure action?