

Questions for Gospel Harmony #33 – The Sermon on the Mount (Part 12)

Matthew 6.19-34

1. What does it mean to “lay up treasure” and how might one “lay up treasures in heaven”? What is the advantage of heavenly treasure over earthly treasure? What does Jesus say is the connection between a person’s treasure and his heart? (Matthew 6.19-21)
2. Explain these verses and how they relate to the context. (Matthew 6.22-23)
3. Why does Jesus say that no one can serve two masters? What is “mammon”? (Matthew 6.24)

4. What does it mean in this context “to worry”? What does Jesus say we should not worry about? Explain the phrase: “Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?” What examples from nature does Jesus use to explain why Christians should not worry about food or clothing, and what point is He making with these examples? Explain the phrase: “Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature?” (Matthew 6.25-30)

5. Explain the following phrases (Matthew 6.31-34):

- “after all these things the Gentiles seek”

- “Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness”

- “and all these things will be added to you”

- “Sufficient for the day is its own trouble”