

## **SPIRITUAL TASK —EARTHLY VS. HEAVENLY TREASURES** (Matt 6)

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**Story** The Lord asks us to not set our hearts on earthly treasures, but on heavenly ones. Earthly treasures decay and deteriorate, or can be stolen, but heavenly treasures last forever.

**Meaning** It is difficult to live a life free from the desire to fill our lives with “stuff”—external, natural, worldly things. We can begin laying up treasures in heaven by learning spiritual truths, by making ourselves useful, and by working on letting go of the notion that our happiness depends on acquiring worldly goods and honor.

**Task** This week go through your house and find something that you have been holding onto that you never use. Give it away. Try taking it a step further, find something you do use and enjoy, and find someone else who would enjoy it and give it to them. Even better yet, don't let them know you did it.