

## “Woe to the Rich” (James 5:1-6)

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'To know Christ and make Him known'



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9AM Greg Blunden

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## Thought for the Week

### WHERE IS YOUR PRIORITY?

In Luke chapter 8, Jesus tells a parable about a wealthy man who decided to build bigger and bigger barns to store up more grain (wealth) so that he could retire very, very comfortably. At the end of the parable, after describing the rich man storing up all he has, Jesus said in verses 20 and 21 "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself? This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.'"

I'm reminded of Mark 8:36 "And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul?"

So let me ask you this, when you die, not if you die, but when you die, will you get to take anything with you? The answer is no, what you do in this life, the things you strive for will all pass away, only your soul will live on in eternity. Therefore, we should be far more concerned with the condition of our soul and its eternal destination rather than the temporal things of this world. Our wealth and stuff can distract us from the Gospel of Jesus and cause us to chase after the trappings of this world rather than eternity with Jesus.

Therefore let us store up treasure in Heaven, where rust and moths do not destroy. Jesus says in Mark 12:34 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

May we all keep our priority on our relationship with God rather than our relationship with our bank manager!

Blessings,  
Greg Blunden

## Prayer Points

- Praise God for the new home group commencing soon and those wishing to become members
- Pray that this current ceasefire will enable innocent people in Israel and Gaza to return home
- Pray for the soccer season as our first training starts this Wednesday
- Pray for the Beaumont's as they need a recording studio in PNG – need the Lord to facilitate
- "Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways. Confirm to your servant your promise, that you may be feared" (Psalm 119:37-38)

## What's on?



If you would like to know more about our Home Groups, contact our coordinator  
Beth Pfeffer : 0449 584 284

### MONDAY

5PM Walking Soccer

### TUESDAY

9:30AM Playgroup

### WEDNESDAY

9AM Prayer Meeting

### THURSDAY

9AM Quilters/Craft

### FRIDAY

9:30AM Playgroup

4PM Kids Ignite  
& Youth

## Birthdays

24th Tim Rushbrook, 27th Don  
Scott & Jacob Williams,  
28th Liam Robinson &  
Phyllis Curtis

### SOCCER TRAINING BEGINS THIS WEEK

Well, soccer training officially begins this week. So please be praying for the soccer season. That we would have opportunities to share the gospel with the families who come along. Secondly, this means that sometime soon our home game days will be available. So please be keeping an eye out for that in your bulletins, with the rosters for jobs to be done on Saturdays going up in the gallery (the area between our hall and sanctuary).

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men's Ministry are meeting for breakfast at church on Saturday 8th March from 8am-11am.

## REFTOONS

BY PAUL COX

