

Choosing Spiritual Growth

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Matthew 6:19-34

1. I make my relationship with Jesus a _____.

Vs. 21 Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 5:6 (NIV) Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

2. I am open to God _____.

Vs. 33 Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness

Psalms 143:8 (NIV) Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life.

Psalms 26:2-3 (NLT) Put me on trial, Lord, and cross-examine me. Test my motives and my heart. For I am always aware of your unfailing love, and I have lived according to your truth.

Examine - make an examination of my inner being, scrutinize me through and through.

Try - reveal the condition of my heart.

Test - refine my very being, removing any impurities.

3. I am determined to _____.

Vs. 20 Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven

1 Peter 2: 2 (NLT) ...crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment

4. I overcome _____.

Vs. 19 Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth

Philippians 4:8 (NLT) And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.