

Set Free Devotional #6

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Saturday, March 21 (Matthew 6:24) “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

That is the annoying thing about God, He is always about priorities!

Not just the ones everybody sees and expects but the ones that lie at the center of our hearts!

God knows us all so well, He made us and knows what makes us tick. God knows what we are capable of and what we are not. God knows how life should be lived (after all He created it) and even wrote the manual of living for us (Bible).

One thing God knew and still does know, you and I are not made to have multiple ultimates in our lives. We are designed to have just one. And God knows that all the ultimates we try to serve that are not Him lead to our death and destruction. God is the Way, the Truth and the Life - there are no others.

So how good are we at believing God is telling us the truth for our own benefit?

I was always told (growing up) not to play with matches. We had big wooden matches that were advertised to “strike anywhere” and those big white heads would! I know, I tried them almost anywhere I could. Well I knew what my Dad had said (not too) but I also had decided that I knew a way around all the dangers and I could outsmart the problem and therefore safely disregard my Dad’s stern warning. All I had to do was to have a pan of water beside me. I could strike the match, enjoy the beautiful flame and douse the danger in the water. All fun and no danger! Such a smart boy was I. That worked well, until one day I mistook a pan of gasoline (Dad used it to clean parts) for a pan of water just waiting on me and my matches. The explosion was terrifying and except for the quick intervention of my Grandfather I’d have burnt the place down!

So do I trust my Heavenly Father better than I trusted my Dad? God says money is a tool to be used in serving Him. I’m trying to handle the tool correctly to get the job done - God’ glory and salvation shining through my life.

Prayer Suggestion:

“Our Father, all that we have comes from you. May all that we have been used for your glory not our vanity we humbly pray. Amen”