Matthew 6:19-24: Text: "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon". Luke 16:13-14

As a child of God, living in the world, you CANNOT love and serve Christ, and at the same time love the world and its mammon! You cannot love the world and Christ at the same time! There is no harmony, no agreement at all between the god of this world and worldliness, and the God of heaven and godliness. They are diametrically OPPOSED and completely contrary and INCOMPATIBLE one to another.

To love and seek after the world and its riches (AND TO SAY) that you ALSO love and seek after heavenly things and the unsearchable riches of Christ is to say that the Lord Jesus and Satan can walk together and be agreed; THIS CANNOT BE, it is ABSURD and PREPOSTEROUS!

YOU CANNOT SERVE God and mammon! Mammon: Money, wealth, riches, substance; worldly goods and stuff. Colossians 3:5

Are you heavenly minded? Or are you earthly minded? You will KNOW this when you identify what you love and treasure. "For where you treasure is, there will your heart be also"

When YOU KNOW what it is (THAT) you love and treasure, you will know your master, and who or what you are serving.

If your treasure is in heaven, you will love/treasure the truths & promises of the Kingdom of Christ! And you will be willing to part with everything in this life for Christ, whom you now love/serve. *Matthew* 13:44-45

If your treasure is in heaven, in everything that you do in this life, you will be thinking about ADVANCING the Kingdom of Christ, spreading the message of the Kingdom of Christ. Colossians 3:17, 23-24; Ephesians 6:5-8

Laying up (amassing) treasure in heaven is done by living this life to the glory and honor of God; using your time and talents and worldly goods and stuff to bless and help others. Luke 12:31-34, 1 Timothy 6:17-19

But if your treasures are in the earth and in the world, THAT is where your heart concerns will be, in caring for, amassing, and keeping your earthly treasures safe. <u>Matthew 19:21-22: He treasured his treasure!</u>

Beloved! As this young man was loathe to part with his earthly riches/possessions for Christ, so we should ABHOR the very thought of parting with Christ, who is our Chief Treasure for the world!

Where his treasure was, THERE was his heart also!

And then, remember that YOUR EYE will reveal the affections and desires of your heart.

If your eye is "single"; healthy, sincere, clearly and singularly focused upon Christ and His Kingdom, your whole body will be full of light. You will be wholeheartedly devoted to Christ.

But if your eye is "evil"; it is because your heart is diseased by sin, full of darkness; and your eyes are going to follow your heart, and your treasures will be in the world.

That brings us to verse 24: No man can serve two masters!

Whom are you serving? Who or what is your master? You cannot serve two COMPLETELY CONTRARY masters.

You cannot serve God and the god of this world. If you're laying up treasures in the earth, it is because you love the world and all that is in the world, to include your sins.
YOU CANNOT love the world and AT THE SAME TIME say that you love Christ. You cannot have one foot in the Kingdom of Christ and one foot in the world. There is no such thing as a "TWO HEARTED CHRISTIAN".

Psalm 12:1-2, James 1:8, 1 Chronicles 12:33

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You cannot serve two masters, or let me say it like this, (you cannot serve two gods, two kings); you cannot be a citizen of two Kingdoms. If you profess faith in Christ, IT WILL BE MANIFEST in your life by your love to Christ and obedience to His commands. John 14:15, 21-24

Proverbs 23:26: "My son, give me thine heart, (ALL OF IT), and let thine eyes observe my ways!" But the world and mammon says NO, give me thine heart!

Jesus commands us:

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind".

Satan says NO:

You will love me and the world with all your heart, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life"

Do you remember Samson? He was to be a Nazarite unto God all the days of his life, devoted unto God!

But Delilah stole his heart; she told him, "How can't thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me?"

Child of God, how can you say that you love Christ, when your heart is not with Christ? How canst you say that you love Christ when you allow the Delilah's of the world and the mammon of this world to woo you away from Christ and take your strength?

If you love the world and its mammon, you hate and despise me, saith Christ! You cannot love me!

Genesis 29:30-33: Do you treat Christ like Jacob treated Leah?

Luke 14:25-33: You cannot be my disciple unless I am your chief love and your ONLY King! You cannot be my disciple (saith the Lord Jesus) unless you are willing to forsake all for Christ!

Whom are you serving today? God? Or the god of this world?

Are you being baited into the world and drawn away from Christ by the world and its mammon? You cannot serve Christ and the god of this world and his mammon. Philippians 3:17-20 Children of Christ DO NOT HALT BETWEEN TWO OPINIONS!

I Kings 18:21: "If the LORD be God, follow Him: but if Baal, then follow him". Joshua 24:14-15
Ruth 1:15-18, Psalm 73:25-26, 123:1-2, Matthew 6:24