

Elephants in the Room
“Why Is Too Much Never Enough?” 5/23/2010
Sermon Series Small Group Discussion Questions

Read Matthew 6:19-34.

1. What stood out to you, challenged you, or encouraged you from the sermon, “Why Is Too Much Never Enough?”

2. Read v. 19. What are some treasures that people store up for themselves on earth?

3. The word for “rust” in v. 19 literally means to “eat away.” What does Jesus mean when he warns against treasures that “eat away”?

4. If treasures earth can be “eaten away”, why are they so attractive to people? Why are we tempted to invest in things that do not last? Have you ever invested in anything like this? What was it?

5. According to vv. 20-21, what is the indicator of our hearts’ desire?

6. Do you think that the way you invest your time and money is reflective of the most important things in your life? Why or why not?

7. Read vv. 22-23. What are some things that distort our vision and keep light from entering?

8. Jim Elliot said, “He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.” How do we reorient our hearts to focus on treasures in heaven rather than treasures on earth?

9. Read Psalm 119: 18; 36-37. On what should our eyes be focused?

10. Is Jesus condemning money in this passage? Why or why not?

11. Read vv. 25-26. How do these words from Jesus make you feel? Is this ever hard for you to believe? Why or why not?

12. Read vv. 27-34. How does worry damage our relationship with God and with others?

13. What are some of the worries of your life that you need to place in God's care?

Close your time together with prayer for each other.