

## Community Group Notes from Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March

**“In”**

### **LAYING UP TREASURE IN HEAVEN**

Peter spoke from Mark 10 on Jesus and the rich young ruler, emphasizing the fact that we can lay up treasure for ourselves in heaven by the way we live on earth.

Three hindrances were highlighted that may have stopped the rich young ruler from doing as Jesus said – and may hinder us as well.

1. The error of undervaluing treasure in heaven
2. Fear for the future
3. Materialism (over-attachment to possessions, always wanting more, lacking contentment, liking the status)

The main references used were:-

Mark 10 17-31 - the rich young ruler comes to Jesus

Matt 6.19-21 & Luke 12.32-34 - comparing the value of treasure in heaven and on earth

Matt 13.44 - the treasure hidden in a field

Luke 12.22-24 and 29-31 - do not worry, but seek first the kingdom

1 Kings 17.12-16 - 'the jar that will not be used up and the jug that will not run dry'

For Groups - Read through the above summary of the hindrances and main references together

1. When you read the three hindrances above which one are more prone to and why?
2. Jesus said: Store up for yourself treasure in heaven. What can you do to store up for yourself treasure in heaven? Is there anything God is asking you to do or stop doing now that could affect this?
3. How does this teaching affect your attitudes to life on earth – discuss together ways in which your life could look if you invested in heaven?

**“Out”**

At the encounter night we prayed for salvation. If you were there it was a wonderful moment in the Spirit and many were moved and stirred for friends and family. On Sunday morning Elliott shared his story of telling 26 people his testimony on Friday at school. Then at the baptisms on Sunday night 2 young women were baptized and loads of guests came to see and hear what God is doing. At the end we even got to pray with some friends for healing. It seems like we are in exciting times.

So this week I want you to pray as a group for salvation and healing. I want you to spend some time praying generally for salvation and healing to break out in this nation and then specifically for our church and the people you know. After you have spent some time before Jesus I want you to lay hands on one another and ask the Holy Spirit for opportunities to share your story, talk about church and pray for the sick this week.

Next week we will feedback!!!

### **Events Coming Up...**

10<sup>th</sup> March – **Equipped: Know the Truth 2 – Doctrine of God** 7:45pm @ The Charis Centre

17<sup>th</sup> March – **Equipped: Know the Truth 3 – Doctrine of Man** 7:45pm @ The Charis Centre

22<sup>nd</sup> March – **Mother's Day** 9:15 & 11:30 @ The Charis Centre

25<sup>th</sup> March – **Group Leaders and Coaches Meeting** 7:45pm @ The Charis Centre

### **This Sunday...**

Peter will be continuing our sermon series through the book of Mark.