

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK:

QUICK REVIEW

In the recent "First Free Goes to Broadway" sermon, Pastor Mark discussed two major themes: traditions and riches. Summarize what he said about each theme in your own words. Note key passages of scripture related to each theme.

MY STORY

1. What family traditions have been adapted or modified in your family over the years? What made you welcome or resist these changes?

2. Consider your material possessions for a minute. What is the most significant possession you have either lost or voluntarily given up in your life? What were the circumstances leading up to this loss and how did you respond shortly after?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. At the end of his sermon, Pastor Mark quickly noted Matthew 6:19-24. Read the passage and discuss the following questions.
 - What are the two types of treasures and how are they different? (See vv. 19-20.)

 - How does a person determine which treasure is being pursued? (See v. 21.)

 - How does the metaphor of the light and eyesight relate to wealth? (See vv. 22-23.)

 - Lastly, what are the "two masters" referring to? (See vv. 23-24.)

2. Why did Jesus spend time talking about God and wealth in one of his most famous sermons? Why does his teaching ring true today?

3. Read Mark 8:34-9:1.
 - Being a fully devoted follower of Christ is costly. What does this passage teach about how costly discipleship is?

 - First Free Church is committed to...developing fully devoted followers of Christ as a part of our mission statement. What does this passage teach our church about the Christian life and how it should be pursued?