

LOOKING UP!

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In a special address at an areawide conference, a local Elder stood and spoke. “All my life I have heard preachers tell me and the members to lay up treasures in heaven,” he said, “but no one has ever showed me how to get my treasure into heaven.”

The audience was stumped, they knew this man was generous and caring. His talk illustrated a truth many will neglect or overlook.

The speaker continued, “I had to figure it out myself. The only way to get treasure into heaven is to put them into something that is going to heaven.”

The crowd knew this and followed along with great interest until he added, “Cattle, lands, houses, stocks and bonds, oil, coal, and the like are not going to heaven.”

Knowing they had missed a practical application of this spiritual truth, the speaker reeled them back in by sharing his plan. “Therefore, if I am to lay up my treasures in heaven, I must put them to work in the mighty tasks of redeeming souls that will be fit for heaven.”

Look up and see the King, the Kingdom and hear the Son, “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matt.6:19-21)

Today, we can take action of great value and return. Today, we will take action.

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