Sermon Notes and Daily Devotional First Congregational Church of Woodstock Elder Stephen Briggs November 10, 2024

10:30 Morning Worship Service:

Isaiah 28:1-6

# **True Treasure**

1. Seeing Treasure

2. Gathering Treasure

# 3. Becoming Treasure

Conclusion: Sojourning through the world in light of the Truth of the Bible yields great joy to the Christian, for that child of God will be able to see the great store of treasures that are his in Christ Jesus. His sense of possession for things of the earth will vanish like smoke, for they shall be replaced with a desire for the true treasure, which is the Lord Jesus Christ himself. Understanding the person and the work of Christ, the child of God gives thanks to the Holy One, seeking His face with thanksgiving and fervently asking in prayer to be conformed the the likeness of the Lord Jesus, that He may be glorified forever.

# The Five Solas:

sola Scriptura - Scripture is the only infallible authority for faith and practice.
sola Christus - Christ in His person and work is the only Saviour.
sola gratia - Only the sovereign grace of God accomplishes salvation.
sola fide - Faith is the only instrument by which we are united to Christ and receive all His benefits.
soli Deo gloria - The purpose of salvation is to give all glory to God alone.

#### Isaiah 28:1-6

1 Ah, the proud crown of the drunkards of Ephraim, and the fading flower of its glorious beauty, which is on the head of the rich valley of those overcome with wine! 2 Behold, the Lord has one who is mighty and strong; like a storm of hail, a destroying tempest, like a storm of mighty, overflowing waters, he casts down to the earth with his hand. 3 The proud crown of the drunkards of Ephraim will be trodden underfoot; 4 and the fading flower of its glorious beauty, which is on the head of the rich valley, will be like a first-ripe fig before the summer: when someone sees it, he swallows it as soon as it is in his hand. 5 In that day the LORD of hosts will be a crown of glory, and a diadem of beauty, to the remnant of his people, 6 and a spirit of justice to him who sits in judgment, and strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate.

# Isaiah 28:16

16 therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever believes will not be in haste.'

#### Luke 2:19

19 But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.

# Proverbs 7:1

1 My son, keep my words and treasure up my commandments with you;

# Matthew 6:21

21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

# Matthew 12:35

35 The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil.

# Matthew 13:44

44 "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

# Matthew 19:21

21 Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."

# 2 Corinthians 4:7

7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

# Exodus 19:5

5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine;

# **Deuteronomy 7:6**

6 "For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

# Malachi 3:17

17 "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him.