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This sermon from Matthew 6:19–24 teaches that the Christian’s ambition must be aimed at the eternal rather than the temporal, because what we live for shapes our priorities, decisions, and relationship with God. Jesus commands His followers to store up treasures in heaven, not on earth, because earthly wealth is temporary, insecure, and ultimately lost, while heavenly treasure is durable, secure, and eternal. When our focus is set on eternal goals, it brings light and wisdom to our daily decisions, helping us avoid much of the pain that comes from living in spiritual darkness. Christ also warns that no one can serve two masters—if money and worldly success become our primary pursuit, our love and faithfulness to God will inevitably suffer. Ultimately, where we invest our lives reveals where our hearts truly are, and by training our ambitions on God’s kingdom and righteousness, we gain lasting reward, wiser living, and a deeper, more stable relationship with God.

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# CONNECT


Ways to Connect:

- **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** – Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be next Wednesday, December 24th at 6:30pm. Come celebrate the birth of Christ with us.
- **New Years Eve Service** – Our New Years Eve Service, will be at our regular time on Wednesday, December 31st.
- **Wednesday Night Prayer Schedule** – Please note there will not be Wednesday night prayer meetings starting this Wednesday, December 17th, but it will resume on Wednesday, January 14th. If you have any questions, please see Bro. Spencer.

Connect with Christ and His Church

**Visitor Card Online Form**

If this is your first time at Hillcrest, and you haven't filled out a visitor card, you can do so at [hillcrestbaptist.cc/visitor](http://hillcrestbaptist.cc/visitor), or by scanning this QR code. Thank you!



Life-stage Adult Sunday School Classes	
9:00 am	10:30 am
College and Career: Singles	Family Foundations: Couples 20's-30's
Homebuilders: Couples 30's-40's	Cornerstone: Couples 40's-50's
Ambassador's: Seniors	Berean Bible Study: Adults
Passionate for Christ: Ladies	Hearts for God: Ladies
Men for the Master: Men	Watchmen in Warfare: Men
	Teens: 7 <sup>th</sup> through 12 <sup>th</sup> grade



# GROW


Ways to Grow:

- **Cantata Christmas Program** – Join us this evening for our Christmas program, “Glorious Mystery!” It will be tonight at 6:00pm during our regular service. This special event will feature the full program, followed by a time of fellowship with cookies, coffee, and hot chocolate for everyone. Bring your family, invite a friend, and come enjoy a wonderful evening as we celebrate the miracle of Christmas together.
- **Patch Christmas Choir** – If your child is singing in the Christmas program with the Patch Club, please **have them in the chapel this afternoon at 4:45pm** for practice. See Captain Rudd or Bro. Aaron with any questions.

Grow in the Word

Memory Verse:

Matthew 6:20 – But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:



Worship Services	
- Sunday Morning.....	9:00 am
- Sunday Morning.....	10:30 am
- Sunday Spanish Service.....	10:30 am
- Sunday Evening.....	6:00 pm
- Wednesday Evening.....	6:30 pm
Bible Studies	
- Wednesday Discipleship.....	6:30 pm



# SERVE

Ways to Serve:

- **Mega Food Pantry** – Food pantry will be this Thursday, December 18th. Pantry will be from 1-5pm. Volunteers, please arrive at noon. If you have any questions, please see Bro. Dave Wick or Bro. Aaron King.
- **Tear down** – We are needing several men and ladies to help with tear-down from the Christmas cantata. We will be working tomorrow morning at 9am tearing everything down. If you are available to assist, we would appreciate it. Thank you for your willingness to help!

Serve Through Giving

**Faith Promise** Goal-to-Date.....\$264,163.00  
Received-to-Date.....\$297,386.00



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Visitation Meeting	
- Saturday Morning.....	9:30 am
Prayer Meeting	
- Sunday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast.....	7:30 am
- Tuesday Prayer Time.....	12:15 pm
- Wednesday Prayer Time.....	5:30 pm
- Wednesday Night Missions.....	Each Wednesday night
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