

A Thread-Bare Soul

by Thomas Brooks

Prioritizing your spiritual well-being is more important than accumulating external wealth.

Scripture: Matthew 6:19

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the importance of seizing every opportunity to enrich our souls with spiritual wealth, arguing that the soul's value far surpasses earthly possessions and relationships. He challenges the audience to reflect on their priorities, suggesting that it is better to have a spiritually rich soul even if one appears outwardly poor, than to be materially wealthy but spiritually destitute. Brooks warns against the folly of neglecting spiritual nourishment while indulging in the needs of the body, likening such behavior to a monster who cares for his dog while neglecting his family. He concludes by highlighting that ignoring opportunities for soul enrichment can lead to a life filled with despair.

Transcript

Take hold of all opportunities to enrich your souls with spiritual riches. Men will easily, readily, greedily, and unweariedly grasp all opportunities wherein they may get earthly riches; and why should not you be as diligent in taking hold of all opportunities to enrich your precious souls? Is not the soul worth more than raiment, more than friends, more than relations, more than life--yes, more than all? And why, then, do you not labor to enrich your souls?

It is better have a rich soul under a thread-bare coat; than a thread-bare soul under a silk or golden coat.

If he is a monster among men, who makes liberal provision for his dog--and starves his wife; what a monster is he who makes much provision for his baser part--but none for his noble part!

The neglect of golden, soul-enriching opportunities, has made many a man's life a hell.

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