

"Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?" (Mt. 6:26).

"For what will a man be profited, if he gains the whole world, and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Mt. 16:26).

*Webster's Dictionary* defines the word 'worth' with the concept of value, importance, and merit. Our Lord said that we are worth His shed blood (Mt. 26:28).

Everyone likes to get a good value for his or her money. Cars and trucks are usually not good values because they depreciate with age and use. Houses, on the other hand, are good investments because with time and care they appreciate in value. We like to search out investment opportunities to get a good return on our money.

But when it comes to value nothing is greater than our soul. It is eternal, and of all the things we possess the soul is the most valuable. God knows the worth of all things but places the greatest value on the human soul (Mt. 6:26). There is nothing that you could earn or give that would be of equal value to your own soul (Mt. 16:26).

Everything we value--we take care of. We will go to great lengths to take care of our cars, homes, and other possessions that we deem important. So take great care of your soul by nourishing it with the word of God. Take care of the temporary home of the soul, your physical body.

Don't ignore the welfare of the most valuable and the most important thing you have--your soul.

See you Sunday!

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