

Sermon Quotes
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Eternity and Eternal Things- Eternal Values

Our Values are revealed by the things that are most important to us, the things that define who we are and how we live.

In short, our Values are the things we value most.

Luke 16:15 And He (Jesus) said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but God knows your hearts; for that which is highly esteemed (*or valued*) among men is detestable in the sight of God."

John 6:63-64 "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail (*or profits nothing*). The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe."

John 8:23-24 He said to them, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am He you will die in your sins."

Earthly Values –

- Independence
- Resenting Authority
- Selfishness & Self-centeredness

Heavenly Values –

- Humility
- Servanthood
- Love

Earthly Values –

Independence - Doing our own thing, accountable to no one.

Resenting Authority - Wanting to be in charge ourselves, have others do things our way.

Selfishness & Self-centeredness - Defining happiness as getting what we want.

Romans 5:6-8 “For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but **God shows his love for us** in that while we were **still sinners, Christ died for us.**”

Ephesians 5:2 “And walk in love, as **Christ loved us** and **gave himself up for us**, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”

“Earth is an in-between world touched by both Heaven and Hell. Earth leads directly into Heaven or directly into Hell, affording a choice between the two. The best of life on Earth is a glimpse of Heaven; the worst of life is a glimpse of Hell. For Christians, this present life is the closest they will come to Hell. For unbelievers, it is the closest they will come to Heaven.”

—Randy Alcorn