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Colossians 2:3, *“In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.”*

We all have read stories or seen movies about people finding buried treasure in an exotic land. Perhaps we have seen documentaries of treasures recovered from a sunken ship. Sometimes people have found treasures in their attic when they discover a highly collectable item of which they were unaware.

Regardless of where physical treasure may be found, we know that this treasure will pass to someone else at death. It then will be destroyed at the end of the world.

The only eternal treasures are those found in the LORD. We are told in Colossians 2:2-3 that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are in Christ. Note that the passage says “all.” There is no wisdom and knowledge out of Christ that matters. We certainly learn and obtain knowledge and wisdom of the world, but it’s fleeting and soon not needed.

Within a few weeks young people will be heading back to local schools and universities. They are doing so to prepare for a career to live in this world.

Studying of worldly subjects only helps you for a few years. Make sure that above these studies is the pursuit of the wisdom and knowledge in the LORD. When we pursue the LORD and serve Him, He will open up His treasures to us. The writer in Ecclesiastes 12:1 says, *“Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.”* If you do not remember the LORD when you are young, there will come a time when you might have no interest at all.

We are told in Deuteronomy 28:11, *“The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.”* This verse is talking about the physical blessings which come from the LORD, but when we follow the LORD we also gain all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Daniel was told in Daniel 12:10, *“Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.”* The wicked of the world will never understand from whence comes true wisdom. The wise will understand.

You probably will never find buried treasure like depicted in a book or movie, but all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are there for us to freely have. We obtain these treasures by living in the LORD.

—Marty Edwards❖

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Sunday 9 AM & 6 PM — Wednesday 6 PM



—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry.**

—Our sympathies are extended to the family of **Wrendle Jones** who passed away Wednesday. He had been a member here in the past. We also extend our sympathies to the family of **Elizabeth Borders** who passed away Tuesday. She had been the next door neighbor to Shirley Edwards in Hardyville since 1966. She was a member at Green’s Chapel.

I Timothy 6:6, “*But godliness with contentment is great gain.*”

In a connected thought to the previous article, so many people are never content. They are in an endless pursuit of material things and are never happy.

People go into careers and pursue business deals for “great gain.” They spend their lives in constant pursuit of bigger and better. They are always dissatisfied because they want something more. So many cannot enjoy the wonderful blessings they have now because of always wanting new and better.

It’s easy to fall into this never-ending trap of discontentment. When all is going well we begin to think about how far “behind” we are to neighbors and friends. Soon, if not careful, we slip into covetousness and discontentment.

The writer in Hebrews 13:5 says, “*Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*” In the King James Version “conversation” means “life” or our way of living.

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Sunday, July 16, 2017		
Classes	24	I Thessalonians 3:1-7
Preaching	26	Luke 22:38 (The two swords)
Contribution	\$655.00	
Evening	21	Revelation 14:14-15:8
Wednesday, July 19, 2017		
Classes	13	Hosea 13:1-16

Visitors— July 16 (AM) John Lay (Hiseville, KY); Dixie Marrace (Munfordville)

Bible Quiz

John saw those on the sea of glass
singing what two songs?

Last Week’s Answer— A Lamb with 144,000 (Revelation 14:1)

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We are to live without covetousness. Let’s be content with the things we have. We have the greatest blessing of all. We have all the treasures found within the LORD and He has said He will never leave us nor forsake us. When we are faithfully living in the LORD, we have it all. —Marty Edwards❖

—God’s Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)