

Evening Lesson

SEARCHING FOR PENNIES

Matt. 6:19-21

INTRO:

1. Small boy walking down the street and found a bright penny. So excited because it didn't cost him anything. Spent the rest of his days walking with his head down, eyes wide open, looking for treasure
2. Am I guilty of searching for pennies and missing out on the greatest blessings of life?

I. SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME ON JOB OR OTHER PURSUIT.

- A. School, career, hobbies are all important and have their place in a well-rounded life. **Eccl. 2:24**
- B. But will I look up one day and realize I missed family or close friends. **Eccl. 4:8-12**
- C. Will I come to realize my faith is not nearly as vibrant and meaningful as I wish it was. **2 Cor. 5:7**

II. FOCUSING ON THE TEMPORARY.

- A. **Matt 6:19-21.**
- B. **Eccl. 5:10-13**
- C. God's greatest blessings are spiritual and eternal. **Eph. 1:7; 1 Pet. 1:3-5**

III. THE GREATER BLESSINGS ARE IN CHRIST.

- A. **Eph. 1:3.**
- B. I must get into Christ to enjoy them.

CONC:

1. Don't waste time searching for pennies.
2. Invest your time in the greatest blessing that will last for eternity: a right relationship with God!