

# PRIZED POSSESSION 1 :: DOWN TO THE CORE :: CLAY SCROGGINS

## INTRODUCTION

What motivates us to do what we do? What drives us? Perhaps more importantly, what should be our primary motivation in life? Two thousand years ago, a group of prominent religious scholars posed this very question to Jesus. By examining his response, we'll gain insight into what should form the center of our lives.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. What would you say is the driving force(s) in your life? How does this driving force(s) impact you?

a. Wealth
b. Marriage
c. Children
d. Status
e. Pleasure
f. Success
g. Job
h. Friends

- 2. Has there been a time in your life when you allowed one of these driving forces to become the center of your life?
- 3. Read Matthew 22:34-38. What do we learn from Jesus' response to the Pharisees' question?
- 4. Do you find yourself placing the blessings of God over a relationship with God? How so?
- 5. Would you agree that the pursuit of God, devoid of a relationship with God, is a futile endeavor? Why or why not?
- 6. How can you keep God at the center of your life?

#### THINK ABOUT IT

If you made Christ your prized possession, how would it impact the way you invest your time, money, and talents?

## WHAT WILL YOU DO?

If you made Christ your prized possession, how would it impact the way you spend your time, the way you spend your money, and the way you use your talents?

## **CHANGING YOUR MIND**

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment." Matthew 22:37-38