



DEPENDING ON GOD

SIMPLICITY

MATTHEW 6

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (19-21)

40 And they poured out some for the men to eat. But while they were eating of the stew, they cried out, "O man of God, there is death in the pot!" And they could not eat it.

41 He said, "Then bring flour." And he threw it into the pot and said, "Pour some out for the men, that they may eat." And there was no harm in the pot.

42 A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing the man of God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. And Elisha said, "Give to the men, that they may eat."

43 But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred men?" So he repeated, "Give them to the men, that they may eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'"

44 So he set it before them. And they ate and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Naaman Healed of Leprosy

5 Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper.

6 One of his Syrian soldiers had caught a leper from the Syrians, and he came and told the king of Syria. And the king said to the leper, "What do you wish?"

7 She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

8 So Naaman went in and told his lord. Then he sent the girl from the Syrians to Elisha, saying, "Thus and so speaks the girl from the Syrians."

9 And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

10 So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and four hundred talents of iron.

11 And he came to the king of Israel, who read the letter. When the letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy.

12 And the king of Israel said to his servants, "Behold, I have sent to you a man of his leprosy. Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

13 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may see that there is a prophet in Israel."

14 So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house.

15 And Elisha's servant came to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean."

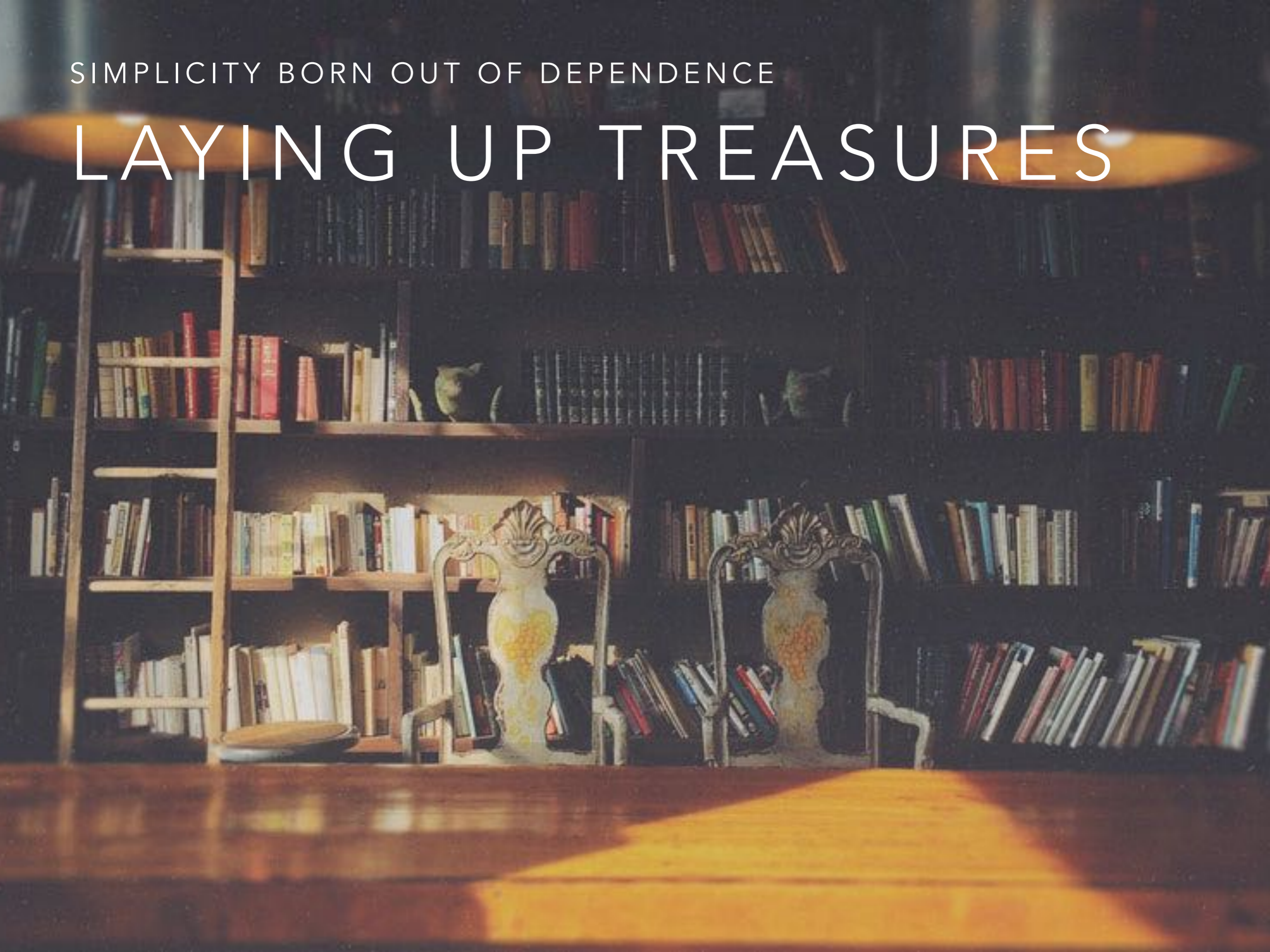
16 But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper."

17 Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went in a rage.

18 But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the LORD has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you,

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A PERSONAL STORY



OUR HOPE

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