

Eighth Sunday after Trinity – 7th August 2022

LORDSBRIDGE TEAM
OF CHURCHES



Read Luke 12.32-40

You may like to use this material as a basis for discussion in your family.

Did you watch the final of the Women's European Championship match last Sunday? I was so excited that I found it hard to watch, but I was delighted when the Lionesses won.



You could tell how much it meant to them afterwards; the celebrations went on throughout the night and into the next day! The excitement of the players was infectious and people throughout the country were supporting and cheering them. Their enthusiasm and success hopefully will have a tremendous impact on women's football throughout the country.

Female professional football players earn only a fraction of what male football players earn. But they commit to the training and hard work because they love the game. The money is less important than their love of playing football.

In today's reading from St Luke's gospel Jesus tells his followers to think about what they treasure. What do they value? What is important to them? Is it money and possessions? Or is it treasure in heaven? Jesus said "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also".

Where do you find treasure in your life now? What is most precious to you? Is your treasure something that can be shared with others? We sometimes forget that God has surrounded us with treasures. We may take those treasures for granted; for example, the beauty of nature, the love of our families, peace in our lives, a skill or talent that we possess. Try to give thanks this week for God's treasures in your life.

Activity

- Save the money that you would usually spend on treats, and at the end of the week pool your savings and donate to a charity that supports people in need.

Prayer

Loving God, help us to treasure the things that you treasure, and share the things we have with others. Amen.