Matthew 6:31-33 *(NIV) So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' [32] For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. [33] But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

*****Malcolm Muggeridge once said:** "*The only ultimate disaster that can befall us, I have come to realize, is to feel ourselves at home here on earth."* I wonder, do I really agree with what Muggeridge said? If I do how does my life show that I am not trying to make myself 'at home' in this world? Can people tell by looking at me that I am just passing through, that I do not belong here? Do I really believe that this world is only the preparation for heaven which is the ultimate reality? Muggeridge was stating a truth that comes right out of Matthew six. If we are really going to seek God's Kingdom and His Righteousness FIRST then it should be evident in the way we live our lives. What do we care most about, our relationship with God, or our relationship with others? What do we care most about our relationship with God or the comforts and pleasures we can have here and now? Muggeridge would have agreed with the words to that old song... "*This world is not my home I'm just a passing through. My treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue. The angels beckon me from heaven's open door and I can't feel at home in this world anymore*."

PRAYER: Lord, God help me NOT to be at home in this world. Help me not to build up treasures, pursue comforts for myself. Please Lord God give me a growing sense of unease with this world and the pleasure that it offers.

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