



*The Rock is a Youth  
Ministry of Ascension  
Lutheran Church*

## **An Eternal Treasure, The Movie**

**Based on Matthew 6:19-21**

*Narrator: Nicole  
Keen: Tyler  
Nurse: Alleah  
Reporter 1: Kelli  
Reporter 2: Lauren  
Langdoon: Mattias  
Indy: Eric  
Tattoo: Alee  
Knight 1: Matt  
Knight 2: Austin  
Knight 3: Michael  
Jane: Nicole  
Michael: Toby*

**Narrator:** Following the trend of historical, fiction, mystery action, adventure novels turned big-screen block-busters, the ROCK has chosen to leverage their extensive budget and box-office star power to produce their own summer block-buster skit...entitled "The Eternal Treasure." All similarities to movies such as "Citizen Kane", "The DaVinci Code", "Raiders of the Lost Ark", and "Monty Python and the Holy Grail" are strictly poorly done. All facts regarding events, artwork, rituals, and secret societies mentioned or depicted in the following skit are entirely false. All scriptural passages, on the other hand, are...well, scriptural and entirely true.

**Keen:** *(Lying on death bed with Bible in hand surrounded by nurse and reporters. Lifts head and loudly speaks to audience.) Treasure. (Drops head and dies as*

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*Bible falls to chest.)*

Reporter 1: *(Group of reporters all ask what Keen said.)* Nurse, what did he say? What were Mr. Keen's last words?

Nurse: I believe his last word was "Treasure".

Reporter 2: Treasure? Here was a man who built an empire the size of William Randolph Hurst, a man who had all wealth there was to acquire. And his last word was "treasure." What does it mean? Where can we look for clues?

Langdoon: I think I have a clue.

Reporter 1: *(To Reporter 2.)* Who's that?

Reporter 2: *(To Reporter 1.)* Why it's the prominent Harvard symbol gist, Bob Langdoon.

Nurse: What do you mean, Professor Langdoon?

Langdoon: Look at the page his Bible was open to. Look at the Scriptural passage here.

Nurse: *"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal." Matthew 6:19.*

Reporter 1: What do you think that means, Professor Langdoon.

Langdoon: Hmm...must have some secret cryptic meaning. I don't know, but I think I know someone who will.

*(Scene change to "Raiders of the Lost Ark" Music.)*

Langdoon: Indy!

Indy Smith: Langy! Long time no see. What brings you here?

Langdoon: The death of Charlie Foster Keen. His dying word

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was treasure, and the Bible he was holding at the time of his death fell open to Matthew 6:19, which reads "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal."

Indy: Hmm. Interesting. It could only mean one thing. He was looking for the Lost Ark of the Covenant.

Langdoon: You really think so?

Indy: Oh yes, if only we had access to the Ark of the Covenant, we would have direct access to God himself. Think of it, direct access to all the power and glory of the God of the ancient Israelites.

Langdoon: So that's what Charles Foster Keen was hoping to hide. Quick, we've no time to lose.

*(Scene change to "Raiders of the Lost Ark" Music. Langdoon, Indy, and Tatoon enter.)*

Langdoon: So are we getting any closer to finding the Lost Ark of the Covenant?

Indy: No, but we are getting close to the middle of the skit. Langdoon, I've been meaning to ask you something.

Langdoon: Shoot, Indy.

Indy: Who is this person following us?

Langdoon: Oh, excuse me Indy. How rude. Indiana Smith, please meet Aubrey Tatoon.

Indy: Oh, of course, the imminent French Cryptologist.

Langdoon: No, the great looking love interest that all great

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blockbusters need to hold the interest of the age 18 to 30 set.

Indy: Good thinking. Hold it, I think I hear someone coming.

*(Knights riding along imaginary horses, making "Clip Clop" sound with plastic easter egg shells.)*

Indy: Halt! Who goes there?

Knight 1: Halt. Dismount. *(Knights dismount.)*

Langdoon: Who are you?

Knight 1: We are the knights of...

Tatoo: Hold it Langdoon, let me take this one. Now, don't tell me. You are the Knights Templar, the military arm of the Priory of Sion! Correct?

Knight 2: Nonsense, we are the "Knights that go Nick, but only at night". *(Knights all respond with "Nick, Nick, Nick")*.

Indy: And "Knights that go Nick but only at Night," what sacred treasure are you guarding or trying to find? Are you looking for the Lost Ark of the Covenant so that you can have direct access to all the power and glory of the God of the ancient Israelites.

Knight 1: Ah...no. *(Knights all respond with "Nick, Nick, Nick")*

Tatoo: Americans! Nonsense. They are looking for the Holy Grail.

Knight 3: Bingo! The pretty French love interest wins the bet. We are looking for the holy Grail, the cup Jesus used in the last supper.

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Tatoo: And this cup...this will bring you eternal life if you drink from it. Correct?

Knight 2: Look lady, we may be a little crazy. But we're not completely nuts.

Knight 3: Yeah, everyone knows only one thing will grant someone eternal life and treasure.

Knight 2: Yeah, not to mention the direct access to God stuff that Mr. Jones over there wants.

Indy: That's Smith. Indiana Smith.

Knight 2: Yeah, yeah. Smith, Jones, whatever.

Knight 1: Come Nights that Go Nick. We must be off. Mount up. *(Knights mount up.)*

Tatoo: I beg you, please help us resolve the mystery of Matthew 6:19.

Knight 2: Sorry, out of time.

Tatoo: Professor Langdoon, Indy, now what shall we do? Our trail of clues is at an end.

Indy: Quick, hide, I hear someone coming.

*(Two young girls walking along.)*

Indy: Who goes there?

Jane: We were just on our way home from Wings. Why are you hiding?

Langdoon: We're searching for clues that will help us resolve the great mystery of the treasure of Matthew 6:19.

Michael: Oh, you mean the verse that says "Do not store up  
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for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.”

Langdoon: Precisely.

Tatoo: We’ve searched for ancient treasures and relics like the Ark of the Covenant, the Holy Grail, the burial cloth of Jesus.

Indy: We’ve consulted knights, secret societies, historians, cryptologists...even novelists. But alas, we’ve come up empty.

Jane: Have you looked at Matthew 6:20-21? You know, the next two verses.

Langdoon: Well, of course, we...ah...well, we ah...

Michael: You know, the ones that read *“But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”*

Jane: You see, the secret to true treasure is setting our heart not on things of this earth, like mysteries or knowledge, or riches or wealth, or anything else that takes our focus away from God.

Michael: You know God, don’t you? He’s our eternal treasure, our forever investment.

Jane: We better be going, Michael. Hope you find what you’re looking for.

Narrator: *(Off stage.) Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”*

Langdoon: *(Children exit.)* Are they gone?

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Tatoo: Yes.

Langdoon: Well, we can't be using this as an ending to our major blockbuster film. Two renown experts travel the world over searching for the secret treasure of life...

Tatoo: ...and two small children show up at the end and solve everything?

Indy: Unbelievable. Absurd.

Langdoon: It'll never sell at the box office.

Tatoo: I've got an idea. Let's put it straight to dvd and take a vacation.

Indy: Good thinking. *(All three exit to music.)*

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