

WHAT WOULD Jesus Say?

ANSWERING LIFE'S BIGGEST QUESTIONS

What Really Matters
Luke 12:13-21

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I. THIS MAN HAD BOUGHT INTO THE IDEA THAT MONEY AND THINGS DEFINE **SUCCESS** AND SELF-WORTH.

A. *1 Timothy 6:6-10* “But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry **nothing** out. ⁸ And having food and clothing let us be therewith content. ⁹ But they that desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into any foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. ¹⁰ For the **love** of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.”

B. If we get out of **balance** between the internal and external and we’re buying ourselves trouble.”

C. *Luke 12:15* “Then Jesus said, “Beware! Don't be greedy for what you don't have. **Real** life is not measured by how much we own.”

II. THIS MAN DECIDED THAT HE WAS THE **SOLE** BENEFICIARY OF HIS POSSESSIONS.

A. “For the foolish, prosperity is a **mirror** and for the wise it's a window.” (anonymous)

B. *Acts 4:34-35 "There was no poverty among them, because people who owned land or houses sold them ³⁵ and brought the money to the apostles to give to others in need."*

C. *Ephesians 4:28 "...Begin using your hands for honest work, and then give generously to others in **need**."*

III. THE MAN FAILED TO UNDERSTAND WHO GAVE HIM WHAT HE HAD AND WHY IT WAS GIVEN.

A. **Luke 12:21 "This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God." (NIV)**

B. **Jesus is telling us – this is why God blesses us so that the blessing will drive us toward **God**.**

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