



## “Be Rich Toward God”

Luke 12:13-21

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Questions for Application and Fellowship

### MY STORY

1. Have you ever been part of an inheritance dispute or a controversy about money? What happened? What kind of toll did it take?

### QUICK REVIEW

The Gospel of Luke is a detailed, carefully-researched account of the birth, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Luke 9-19 records the Lord’s movement from Galilee to Jerusalem. In this passage, the Lord’s preaching is interrupted by a man who felt he was being deprived of his share of an inheritance. The Lord’s unexpected reply reminds us where true life is and is not found.

### **Read Luke 12:13-21**

#### 3 Insights About Material Things

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ we feel about material things. (12:13-14)
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ we need about material things. (12:15)
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ we receive about material things. (12:16-21)

Was any point in this weekend’s message or portion of Scripture particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. In Luke 12:13, the man's passion for material things was seen in his willingness to interrupt the teaching of Jesus, the very Messiah. How do we see people's fervency for wealth in our day and time? Does zeal for money and possessions appear in your life? How?
2. Jesus advises great caution in relation to the abundance of possessions. Material things will deceive into thinking they possess life in themselves. How do these verses lead you in the right direction? I Timothy 6:6-10; 17-19.
3. If one's life does not consist in the abundance of his or her possessions, where does it consist? How can you partake of the life spoken of in the following verses?

Psalm 16:8-11

Psalm 36:7-10

John 17:1-3

4. Reading the parable carefully, do you see the Lord forbidding things like retirement saving? What exactly makes the man in the parable so foolish and morally guilty?
5. Jesus warns that someday, the soul will be required of those who are not rich toward God. Jesus wants us to be generous to the purposes of God. How can we go about doing so?