

The Rich Fool - Luke 12:13-21

1. If you had to teach a class on 'principals for using money' what points would you be sure to include?

OR

What would you be keen to hear about if attending such a class?

2. Read verse 13. Is this a fair request? What's surprising about Jesus response in vs 14-15? What does Jesus' response teach us about the subtlety of greed?

3. Read v 15. Do the contents of your house betray an "abundance of possessions?" What could you spend less money on?

4. Read vs 16-19. What blessing has the rich man received? What is his planned cause of action? In what ways might these actions have the appearance of wisdom?

5. What reality check is given in verse 20?

6. What *should* the wealthy be concerned with according to verse 21?

7. Does this Parable warn us against saving? Why or why not?

8. How do James 4:3 and 5:1-6 reflect Jesus teaching here?

9. In summary:

a. How does this parable help us define (or re-define) greed?

b. How does this parable instruct us to use money?

10. Identify areas where you have been hoarding things for yourself. Confess this sin and ask for the Holy Spirit to help you be rich towards God.