

Jesus Stories

This week's reading: Luke 12:13-34

Discussion Guide: February 16, 2025

CHECK UP:

Memory Work: Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. – Ephesians 5:15-16

Did you live a life that is interruptible and compassionate this past week?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Who did you B.L.E.S.S. this past week? What action steps did you take?

READ and ASK: Luke 12:13-34

- What stands out most to you from this text? Why?
- What signs of greed can show up in a person's life?
 - o How do we winsomely confront greed when we see it in a brother/sister in Christ?
- Are there any parts of this parable that make you uncomfortable? Why?
- In what ways can we get far too "near-sighted" in life?
 - o What is the great danger in that?
 - o Why is it difficult for us to accept the fact that our life and things are temporary?
- What does it look like to be rich toward God?
- How do we store up treasure in heaven?
 - o How can a person seek God's kingdom?

APPLY:

- What are you most challenged by from this text?

- How difficult is it for you to trust God for your daily need? (keep in mind truths of 2 Thessalonians 3:10-13)
 - o How much do you struggle with worry?

- How have you ever turned to material things for your significance, satisfaction and/or security?
 - o NEXT STEP: How do you need to rely on Jesus for your significance, satisfaction and/or security this week?
 - o What step can you take this week to be less dependent on your possessions?

Memory Work:

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. - Luke 12:34

Next Week's Reading:

Matthew 20:1-16