

Message Outline

CP the Sequel: Mine Ride

Luke 12:13-34



Intro: Closing CP series with finances...

- Jesus' Lordship seen thru Stewardship...

v.13—A question from the crowd concerning money...

v.14—Jesus responds with reflection question concerning His role as “judge/divider”...

v.15—Words of warning with reasoning...

v.16-19—“Mine” Ride: 11x individual uses “I/my”, 14x references self!

- Failure to see life as a gift (v.16)...

v.20—“Fool”... who cares if others know your name but God knows you as fool?!!

- What good are the externals if the internal is lost?!!

v.21—The real problem is not the money but the “mine” mentality...

- Are we being “rich toward God” or is self our spending center?

Reflections on being “Rich Toward God”

- OT practice of tithing (Lev.27:30, Mal.3:8-10)...
- Not always amount but heart (Lk. 15:1-4)...

1) R_____ God knows Real Need (v.22-30)

- God knows our needs better than we do!

2) R_____ of Life (v.31)

- In the midst of real need, real faith sees “Thine” over “mine”...seek first...

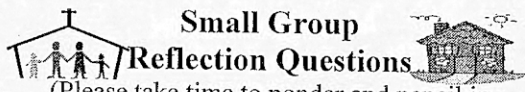
3) R_____ God’s desire to Give (v.32)

- God’s nature/character is to give...
- Pays in kingdom, not always cash.

4) R_____ Reorients our Heart and Reinvests in Heaven (v.33-34)

- God the Eternal Economist understands trends...making eternal investments!

Small Group



Reflection Questions

(Please take time to ponder and pencil in to prep for this week’s small group session.)

Read: Acts 8

**What do you observe about the early church in Acts?*

**What spoke to you this past Sunday (ie. what made you laugh, learn, look deeper at life etc.)?*

**The lottery just had a jackpot of almost a billion dollars—if you found the winning ticket blowing in the wind, what would you do first after you cashed it in?*

**How often does the discussion of money come up in your house?*

**Who taught you how to manage money? What’s the best financial advice you received?*

**What is the difference between being an “owner” or a “manager/steward” of money?*

**Do you think your life today would be described as being “rich toward God?” Why or why not?*

**There are many ways to be blessed beside money. Can you name two or three ways God has blessed you?*