

THE STORY OF THE RICH FOOL

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*No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money. **Matthew 6:24 NIV***

*Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus replied: "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" **Luke 12:13-14 NIV***

*"Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." **Luke 12:15 NIV***

*For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. **1 John 2:16 NIV***

There's more to life _____.

*But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. **1 Timothy 6:6-10 NIV***

*"The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."' **Luke 12:16-19 NIV***

The "bigger barns" _____.

*"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' **Luke 12:20 NIV***

_____ **that matter.**

“This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.” Luke 12:21 NIV

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV

One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

Proverbs 11:24-25 NIV

It's about _____ relationships

For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?

Mark 8:36 NIV

From this day, Lord, we surrender and relinquish all of our past, present, and future rights and material possessions to You. As an act of the will, by faith, we choose to become Your bond slaves and do whatever You want us to do, go wherever You want us to go, and say whatever You want us to say, no matter what it costs, for the rest our lives. With Your help, we will never again seek the praise or applause of men or the material wealth of the world.

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