



Good News **for all people.**

The Gospel of Luke

Week 11 Discussion Questions

Week of 11/6/22

Text: Luke 12:13-34

Icebreaker: What's your gut-level response when the church (whether at Calvary or other churches you've been a part of) talks about money?

1. In verses 13-15, how would you describe Jesus's response to the person from the crowd who wants Jesus to take his side in the dispute over an inheritance? What is it about covetousness, or greed, that would provoke this response from Jesus?

Application: Maybe you're all too familiar with this kind of scenario. How can money get in the way of relationships?

2. In the parable of verses 16-21, what do you notice about the man's line of thinking that's problematic?

Application: How would you compare the attitude and planning of this man in the parable with our own culture's attitude about money and possessions?

3. In verses 22-31, why does Jesus command his disciples to not be anxious or worried about their lives? What are the things Jesus is telling them to not be anxious about?

Application: Think of the expectations we have about the kind of standard of living, or "creature comforts," we should attain. How do you think they impact our experience of anxiety?

4. Jesus tells us in verses 30-31 that there's a distinction between Jesus's followers who trust God to provide and "all the nations of the world" that "seek after these things." What do you think it means to "Instead, seek his kingdom?"

Application: Do you notice a difference in what you observe about how Christians and non-Christians handle money? Explain.

5. Verses 32-34 allude to God as Shepherd, Father, and King. How do these roles help instill faith that God can be trusted to provide so that Jesus's followers can be generous toward others?

Application: Let's meddle a bit! What do you have that you don't need and could sell to give to the needy? Consider how you might do it as a LifeGroup to make it a collective effort.

Building Christ-centered communities of people fully devoted to loving God and loving others.