

ALL THE PARABLES OF JESUS

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“THE PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL” – PART 1

ALL THE PARABLES OF JESUS UNVEILED

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Foolish Living, Unprepared, Poor Toward God, Wasted, Hell

Luke 12:16-21

Matthew 13:1-3a

On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. ² And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore. ³ Then He spoke many things to them in **parables** - -

Watch The “**Big Idea**” to This Parable Come Together Here,
It begins in **Luke 12:1-15** so let’s look at the context...

Luke 12:16-21

Then He spoke a **parable** to them, saying: “**The ground** of a certain rich man **yielded plentifully**. ¹⁷ And he **thought within himself**, saying, “What shall **I do**, since **I have** no room to store **MY crops**?” ¹⁸ So he said, (*who is he talking to?*) “**I will** do this: **I will** pull down **MY barns** and build greater, and there **I will** store all **my crops** and **MY goods**. ¹⁹ And **I will** say to **my soul**, “*Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.*” ²⁰ But God said to him, “**FOOL! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be - which you have provided?**” ²¹ “**So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.**”

The issue is all about covetousness – the two guys are fighting over stuff

THE PARABLE OF THE FOOL

1.) God was not in his thoughts v.16

GOD WAS NOT IN HIS THOUGHTS

1a.) He failed to think of origins v.16

Luke 12:16

Then He spoke a **parable** to them, saying: “**The ground** of a certain rich man **yielded plentifully**.”

The Immediate, Opening-Thrust to The Parable is Awesome.

The ground was not producing well because the man was rich. The ground was producing because God is good.

James 1:17a

(origins of) = Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights,

Matthew 5:45b

(origins of) = For He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

Application for us...

First of all – take note that the Bible neither exalts poverty as a virtue nor does it condemn riches as a curse or vice versa. What God’s Word does do is hold every human being accountable for how we manage what we have – not what we do not have.

GOD WAS NOT IN HIS THOUGHTS

1b.) He failed to think of design

v.16

Everything that we have in life is a “given”. I mean, it’s been a “gift given” to us by God.

Luke 12:16

“The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully.

It looks to me that **Paganism** is at an All Time High as a World Religion.

Environmental-Paganism

The worship of natural things – *because we fail to think of design*

We can do this without God

Economic-Paganism

The worship of materialism – *because we fail to think of design*

We can do this without God

Socialistic-Paganism

The worship of humanism – *because we fail to think of design*

We can do this without God

GOD WAS NOT IN HIS THOUGHTS

1c.) He failed to think of goodness

v.16

:16 **“The ground yielded plentifully.**

Application for us...

Romans 2:4 ESV

Do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that **God’s kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?**

California has Been Freakishly Blessed

Here we are in the middle of this week – 74 degrees

On Monday I was with a film crew interviewing Tony Perkins, President of the FRC. We were at Corona Del Mar = *pure perfection of sight, sound and feel*

"It's no wonder why people put up with your insane politicians in this state - Californians have no excuse for not worshipping God every day."

Gratitude is both Taught & Caught by The Next Generation

(Say thank you)

Psalm 103:2

Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits:

Psalm 13:6

I will sing to the LORD, Because He has dealt bountifully with me.

THE PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

2.) God was not in his plans

v.17-18

GOD WAS NOT IN HIS PLANS

2a.) He was self-wise in his own opinion

v.17-18a

17 And he **thought within himself**, saying, (1) "What shall I do, since I have no room to store **MY crops?**"
18 So he said, (*who is he talking to?*) (2) "**I will** do this:

Proverbs 16:25

There is a way that **seems right** (*correct, well advised*) **to a man**, But its end is the way of death.

The Conclusion:

This man could only think about himself and did think about himself more than anyone else on the planet.

Jesus' teaching on THE RICH FOOL is interesting for sure. Riches are not foolish nor are they evil. It is the wickedness of the human heart that takes the blessings of God and turns them into a curse and condemns the very things that God would like us to use for His glory.

>>>> The Cross, The Christ, The
Call <<<<

End of Study

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