

Build Bigger Barns! [Lyrics]

[Mark Mullery]

Luke 12:13-21

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

1. A warning: be on guard against greed (12:13-15)

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife...or anything that is your neighbor's

Exodus 20:17

They covet fields and seize them, and houses, and take them away; they oppress a man and his house, a man and his inheritance.

Micah 2:2

For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

Eph. 5:5

2. A story: don't be like this fool (12:16-21)

Lie #1: This is all mine!

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein...

Psalms 24:1

"If it was not for God, you could have been born on a mountain in Mongolia in the eleventh century—and then where would you have been?"

- Tim Keller, *Creation, Fall, Redemption, and Your Money*

Treasure Principle Key #1: God owns everything. I'm his money manager.

Lie #2: Wealth brings security and contentment.

3. A strategy: generosity

Takeaway questions

1. How can we guard against greed?
2. How can we live generously?

"So in order to become a gracious, generous person, don't sit down with a calculator—look to the cross."

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For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9