





Luke 12:1

Meanwhile, when a crowd of many thousands had gathered, so that they were trampling on one another, Jesus began to speak first to his disciples.

Luke 12:13-34 (Pg. 1043)

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Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." And he told them this parable: "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.

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Refusal

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Are you rich toward God?

Once there was a farmer who scattered seed so liberally that most of it didn't take root.

Once there was a king who forgave a debt of 10,000 talents (millions of dollars today).

Once there was a vineyard owner who gave people far more than their work was worth.

Once there was a father who gave away half his estate to his rebellious son—and then gave him a feast when he came crawling back, having wasted it all.

Once there was a nobleman who gave three months' wages to all his employees, and then went on a foreign trip.

Once there was a landowner who gave his vineyard over to tenants.

Once there was a king who gave wedding invitations to every undesirable in the county.

God is extravagantly generous – Are we?





Luke 12:13-34 (Pg. 1043)

Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them.

And how much more valuable you are than birds! Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith!

And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.



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- Despite their unparalleled success, the Gaines remain humble.
- 2. In a world consumed with fame and fortune, the Gaines have their priorities in order.
- 3. The Gaines live to give, instead of receive.
- The Gaines believe that marriage is a sacred union, and their love for one another proves it.
- 5. The Gaines aren't fake, and don't pretend to have it all together, but live to please God instead of man.

