

Luke 12

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Highlight:

But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your soul is demanded of you; and as for all that you have prepared, who will own it now?’ Such is the one who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich in relation to God.

Luke 12:20-21 (NASB)

Explain:

By this point in Jesus’ ministry, He has drawn large crowds, fed the 5,000, taught His disciples to pray, and sent out the seventy-two to prepare the way before Him. Chapter 12 begins with a warning against hypocrisy—a call not to imitate the religious elite. Verse 20 forms the climax of Jesus’ parable about the rich landowner who hoarded his abundance but died without cultivating a relationship with God.

Apply:

This passage forces me to examine my priorities. Too often, I let anxiety about material security consume my time and attention. But Jesus urges us to live with a kingdom mindset, fully aware that He could return at any moment. Instead of worrying, He invites us to trust that God knows our needs and will provide. Storing up heavenly treasure begins with immersing myself in His Word and letting His truth shape my daily decisions.

Respond:

Jesus, thank You for the chance to sit with this passage and truly hear what You are saying. Stir in me a daily desire to be so immersed in Your Word that worry loses its grip. Help me steward well the resources You place in my hands, and open doors for me to show Your love through generosity.