

Money & Stuff (Luke 12:13-21)

Introduction: *Which of the following statements is not in The Bible...?*

- I. WE NEED TO DISCUSS 'MONEY & STUFF' BECAUSE SOME TALK ABOUT IT TODAY IS JUST AWFUL
 - A. Note, for example the 'money talk' on some religious TV programs
 - B. We do not need to bribe God to get His attention (Psalm 50; Romans 8:31-32; Luke 11:13)
 - C. We believe in *barter, bribery, & bargaining...* God believes in ***giving!*** (John 3:16; Romans 6:23)
 - D. When asked the question, "*What is more important your soul or your 'money & stuff'... our answer often does not match the reality of our lives.*"

- II. JESUS DISCUSSES 'MONEY & STUFF' IN TODAY'S GOSPEL LESSON (Luke 12:13-21)
 - A. A man came to Jesus with concerns about getting his rightful inheritance
 - B. Jesus tells the parable of the 'rich fool' to teach us an important lesson (vv.16-21)
 - C. This is not just a nice story (**Note the corpse grasping onto jewels in the ruins of Pompeii, 79 A.D.**)
 - D. There is nothing wrong with 'money & stuff' as long as it does not become your god

Conclusion: *How would you like some true riches than never run out?*
(2 Corinthians 8:9)