

DON'T Heed YOUR Greed

Luke 12:15
Proverbs 15:16
1 Peter 5:6



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Introduction: *The business man & the popcorn vendor*

I. GREED IS THE REALITY OF OUR TIMES

- A. "Supersize it" is now part of our everyday vocabulary
- B. Comparing the years 1900 & 1950 & 2000 reveals: *We heed our greed*
- C. Jesus warns us about ***gaining the world but losing our souls*** (Mark 8:36)

II. THE 1ST PARABLE IN THE BIBLE DECLARES: **DON'T HEED YOUR GREED**

- A. The parable of the trees (Judges 9:8-15)
- B. In our desire to be great, we can cease being any good
- C. Many times: ***"less is more"***

III. JUST BECAUSE MORE IS OFFERED, YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE IT!

- A. David learned that lesson with King Saul & the giant Goliath (1 Samuel 17)
- B. Wanting more & more can make us less & less
- C. Godly contentment is a wonderful thing (Isaiah 26:3; Philippians 1:21; 4:11)

IV. WHERE DOES OUR LORD JESUS FIT IN WITH ALL OF THIS "GREED TALK"?

- A. He gave up His glory & riches, became poor unto death, and gave us heavenly riches (2 Corinthians 8:9)
- B. He did not *heed His greed*, but emptied Himself out for our salvation (Philippians 2:6-8)
- C. He offers us true & eternal riches (Ephesians 2:8-9)

Conclusion: *"You'll never see a funeral hearse pulling a U-Haul trailer..."*