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The movement of
money signifies the
movement of your
heart.

- John Piper

Primary Text: Luke 12:13-21

1. Pray (2 mins)

Pause. Acknowledge you are about to open God's word.

- Ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate His word.

2. Warm-Up (20 mins)

Prepare our minds to receive.

- How was the homework assignment? Any discoveries?
- When reflecting on the message this past Sunday, what most resonated with you?
- What do we know about the book of Luke (authorship, purpose, theme)?

3. Illuminate (30 mins)

On the reverse side of this page you will find our text. Use this page to circle/underline/connect.

- Paint a picture for this text. Who is Jesus' audience? How do we know this?
- What caused Jesus to tell the parable of the rich fool? What is the anatomy of a fool?
- Jesus has authority and dominion over all things. Why did he say in verse 14, "who made me a Judge or arbitrator over you?"
- "Store up for yourself; then eat, drink, and be merry!" This is the anthem of our culture. Define covetousness? What are the attributes of one who covets?
- Jesus told his disciples to be on guard against covetousness. What does that look like? Where could we go in the Bible to gain instruction and wisdom on this?
- The truths of the Bible are meant to be shared. Given the opportunity, could you now explain this text/parable to someone else in your own words? Anyone brave enough to try it now?
- Does everyone feel confident in their understanding of this text? Any questions we need to research to answer next week?

4. Pray (10 mins)

Learn what the Bible says about prayer. Close in prayer.

Trinitarian Prayer Structure:

- Pray to the Father
- In the power of the Spirit
- By the authority and merit of the Son

TEXT: Luke 12:13-21 (The Parable of the Rich Fool)

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ ¹⁸And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.’ ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’” ²⁰But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

Homework: Ready your heart for Sunday ([Ready resources - warrenbaptist.org/ready](http://warrenbaptist.org/ready)).

1) Read Luke 7:40-50 (Parable of Two Debtors)

2) How would you summarize this parable to someone who had no knowledge of it?

3) Additional Notes/Questions:

4) Bring this with you to your next Life Group for discussion.