

Daily Devotional



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■ day one { Honor Jesus!: Luke 12:13 }

What are your priorities? List the top three, in order. Read Luke 12:13
What was this man's priority? Do your investments in time, money and thought reflect these priorities? If not, what change is God impressing upon you?

■ day two { Savior?: Luke 12:14 }

How do you go about seeking the Lord's will? Are you looking for God's will or are you looking for confirmation of your own desires? Read Luke 12:14. In your opinion, did this man really respect Jesus' opinion or was he just looking for confirmation of his own position? This man addressed Jesus as if He was a judge or, at best, a rabbi. Most of the world today accepts Jesus as a historical person; but many think of Him as a teacher, prophet, a healer or a "good man". What was His main purpose in coming to Earth? He came to seek and to save the lost; to make it possible for the sinner to have eternal fellowship with God. Assuming anything less dishonors Him.

■ day three { a Lie?: Luke 12:15 }

Have you heard the saying, "He who dies with the most toys wins"? We see this message everywhere, billboards, magazines, TV, etc. But it is a lie. In verse 15, Jesus says that life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions. So, from your heart, what is the purpose & goal of YOUR life?

■ day four { poverty or wealth?: Luke 12:18-18 }

Have you made plans recently for a bigger barn, a new house, an expansion of your business? The man in this passage was hard working, industrious and, as a result, prosperous. However, one gets the impression that he has not been generous to the needy and probably did not seek God's will regarding the construction of bigger barns. Have you sought God's will regarding how to use the prosperity that He has given you (however large or small)?

■ day five { rich towards God!: Luke 12:19-21 }

Are you rich toward God? How is such richness measured? The Bible tells us repeatedly that riches toward God are spiritual and eternal. Jesus did not accumulate wealth, fame or high position. His earthly life was an example for us to follow. He healed, fed, counseled and spread the gospel that God has provided a way to eternal life and fellowship with Him. Are you following His example?

■ a word from the writers

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