

HOW DID JESUS DO IT?

HOLDING WEALTH LIGHTLY

Luke 12: 13-34

1 Timothy 6: 6-10; 17-19

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New Testament Overview

On the surface....

- ❑ A negative attitude towards wealth and those who own it

But more complex than that.....

- More about our attitude towards it and what we do with it

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PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

His mistakes

- 1) He never saw beyond himself**
- 2) False understanding re wealth's purpose**
- 3) Misplaced social security net**
- 4) No sense of destiny**

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THE PARABLE'S PUNCHLINE!

- Applies to anyone and everyone
- Avoid the Rich Fool's mistakes
- All to consider how we handle and allocate resources entrusted to us

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Pointers to its practical application

“Sell all your possessions and give to the poor”

Literal? Or deliberate overstatement?

A stark challenge.....

What do we most value in life?

What are our priorities?

What means most to us?

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Further pointers to its practical application

- ☐ Being Content
- ☐ Thankfulness
- ☐ Generosity
- ☐ Faithful and effective Stewards

“God loves a cheerful giver” 2 Cor. 9:7

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IN SUMMARY

Not primarily about pounds and pence, assets and liabilities.....

Fundamentally about.....

**THE VALUES WE CHOOSE TO LIVE BY; WHAT REALLY
MATTERS TO US**

“Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also”