

## THE RICH FOOL

In this story from the Gospel of Luke, a man asked Jesus Christ to make his brother share the family money with him. But instead of settling the argument, Jesus used the moment to teach everyone something very important. He warned them to be careful about greed and told a story about a rich man who had so much food that he built bigger barns to store it all. The man thought his life was great because he had lots of things and could relax and enjoy himself. But God said the man was foolish, because that very night his life would end and all his things would not matter anymore.

Jesus was teaching that people often use the wrong measuring stick for life. Many people measure life by money, stuff, or comfort, but those things cannot show what a life is really worth. God looks at life differently, and Jesus wanted everyone to understand that what truly matters is much bigger than the things we own.

## HOW PEOPLE MEASURE LIFE VS. HOW GOD MEASURES LIFE

The man thought his problem was money, but Jesus Christ showed that the real problem was greed in his heart. Jesus wanted everyone to see that people often measure life one way, but God measures life in a very different and better way.

### HOW PEOPLE OFTEN MEASURE LIFE

- How much money someone has.
- How many nice things they own.
- How comfortable and successful they look.
- How important or popular they seem.



### HOW GOD MEASURES LIFE

- If we love and trust God.
- If our hearts are kind and not greedy.
- If we share and help others.
- If we live for things that last forever with God.

## THINK ABOUT IT?

If you used God's measuring stick, how would you know if your life is really successful —by how many things you have, or by how much you love God and care for others?