

What Time Is It?

Luke 12:13-59

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The danger of making greed your creed

- 1) Disciples should never trust in money as a **Savior**- v. 16-21.
- 2) Disciples should trust God and share knowing that it **pleases God** to give us the kingdom both now and forever - v.22-34. Failure to trust God will produce three by-products:
 - a. **Worry** – (v.22-25)
 - b. **Anxiety** – (v.26-31)
 - c. **Fear** – (v.33-34)
- 3) Disciples serve while waiting **expectantly** for the return of the Master - v.35-40.
 - a. Worrying about wealth will make our spiritual **lamps go out** V.35.
 - b. Worrying about wealth will distract us from living with **anticipation**. V.36-40.
- 4) Disciples are **stewards** of God's possessions and are to use them to bless others v.41-48.
 - a. When our possessions begin to possess us we will **abuse people** to get more possessions.
 - b. When possessions become priority we will live as if Jesus will **never return**.
- 5) Disciples are mistaken if they think the way they administer their possessions will **please everyone** - v.49-53.
- 6) Disciples know **what time it is** v.54-59.

Jesus comments in v.13-15 say it all.

- I have neither come as financial **arbitrator** nor to guarantee that your perception of **fairness** is always met! Jesus did not come to guarantee that life would be **fair** on earth. He came to guarantee that life could be **forever** in heaven.
- The problems in your life do not have a **monetary solution**.
- Abundance doesn't = **happiness**.