

Harvest study guide

Read Luke 12: 13-21

Are there any words or phrases that stand out to you?

What can we do to 'guard ourselves from all kinds of greed'?

The parable talks about surplus grain. Paul shared a definition of surplus as more than what is needed or used; excess.

How do we go about deciding what is surplus or more than we need with our possessions?

At the end of the passage, it zooms out to a wider context and talks about us living richly towards God.

Do you find these bigger picture 'measuring sticks' helpful for looking at your life?

Could you relate to Paul's analogy about his lawn, talking about different perspectives? Are there things in your life where you struggle with perspective?

Paul referenced Jim Collins, who says that "there is tyranny in **or**, while there is aenius in **and**"

What areas of your life do you think this applies to? (some suggestions: relationships, politics, our faith)

Is this something that you find easy to do or can it be a struggle?

How do you find believing in a God that we have to hold things in tension in? Paul gave these examples:

- The lion AND the lamb
- Jesus was fully man AND fully God
- Fear of God is the beginning of wisdom AND He is our Abba Father Can you think of others?